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Sharon plans two new major highways in territories

DAVID HARRIS

CONSTRUCTION of two new roads in the territories will begin before the end of the year, National Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon announced yester-

day.
The first project will link BenShemen, near Ben-Gurion Airport,
with Atarot Airport, just north of

initially, the Public Works Department will construct a 10kilometer divided highway between Givat Ze'ev and Atarot, at a cost of some NIS 100 million. The road will eventually be linked with Jerusalem's Route 4, currently under construction, and will serve as another entrance to the

Route 5 eastward from Rosh Ha'ayin to Ariel, via Elkana. The 20-km. road, which will cost NIS 70m., will replace the existing narrow, winding road, on which there have been several serious accidents. This highway will link up with the new Trans-Israel Highway at the Kessem

The statutory process for construction of the two projects was completed some time ago, and some initial work on Route 5 was

done four years ago.

The PWD, which is now part of the National Infrastructure Ministry, is waiting to hear if it will receive the funding from the government to begin the tender process.

"We are already able to begin work," said PWD spokesman Meir Gazit. We hope to get the budget very soon."

The plans were roundly con-demned by MK Avraham Shohat, who described them as "investments for political ends."

The writing is on the wall," he said. "This government will cause a retreat from the Negev and Galilee and will put its resources once again into Judea and Samaria. The carnivore is starting afresh.

This step has deep political significance with destructive budgetary implications." Liat Collins adds:

Environment Ministry Director-General Nehama Ropen said she would meet with representatives of the PWD and the National Infrastructure Ministry to hear about road building plans in Judea, Samaria, and Gaza.

Ronen stressed the importance of widening existing roads rather than building new ones, and of ensuring the least possible damage to the environment. She noted the work would be taking place in environmentally sensi-



An archeologist holds a 3,200-year-old bronze god figurine, the largest of its kind ever found. It was

Archeologists find clue to Canaanite kingdom archives

THE discovery in recent weeks of four cuneiform tablets at Hatzor may point to the location of one of the most sought-after archeological treasures in the country the royal archives of the great Canaanite kingdom that dominated the North in the centuries preceding the arrival of the

Prof. Amnon Ben-Tor, who is this week completing his sev-. enth season of excavations at Hatzor, told a press conference

ABRAHAM RABINOVICH

vesterday that the 400-year-span separating two of the cuneiform tablets from the other two may point to two separate archives one from the Middle Bronze Age (2000 TO 1600 BCE) and one from the Late Bronze Age (1600-1200 BCE).

"We have not found the archives," stressed Ben-Tor, rebutting press reports over the that they had been

found. "But we found indications of the existence of two archives."

The tablets were found inside the royal palace, atop the tel where the royal archives would be expected to be.

In past years, four other cuneiform tablets were found scattered on the tel. Ben-Tor said that he had decided not to press in his search for the archive despite its apparent proximity, since the excavation must end as planned

Settlers optimistic after meeting PM

SETTLEMENT leaders emerged optimistic from their first meeting with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu yesterday, despite his failure to make any concrete promises.

However, most are reserving final judgment until they see whether his words will be followed by deeds.

More than 20 members of the Council of Jewish Communities in Judea and Samaria attended the hour-long meeting, including leaders of several secular settlements who announced last week that they were quitting the council. The latter were brought back to the fold by the flat refusal of Avigdor Lieberman, directorgeneral of the Prime Minister's Office, to grant them a separate

Council members raised a number of issues of concern to

· Lifting the building freeze imposed by the previous govern-

 Expanding existing settlements - including the Jewish community in Hebron - and the construction of new ones; · Preventing an IDF redeploy**EVELYN GORDON**

 Stopping illegal Arab building in the territories;

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 Holding Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat to the

of a period - after four very dif-

"Right now I'm in a waiting

stance," Kiryat Arba Mayor Zvi minister has studied the matter, then I'll be able to say whether I'm disappointed or happy."
Council spokesman Yehiel Leiter said the group emerged

from the meeting fairly confi-

Right now, Arafat is still in flagrant violation of certain parts of the agreement, Leiter noted. However, Netanyahu is, in

Settlement leaders noted that while Netanyahu made no concrete promises, he did give one concrete piece of advice: Loud

Peace Now, meanwhile. charged that despite the lack of concrete promises, the govern-ment is already working to increase the settlements - for National Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon's decision to build a new

Central bank lowers key rate

Netanyahu: I have full faith in Frenkel

THE Bank of Israel yesterday trimmed its key lending rate by 70 basis points to 16.3 percent, citing increasing indica-tions of stabilizing money supply and reduced inflationary expectations.

The interest rate reduction the first after eight months of a steadfast and highly contentious tight-money policy led by Governor Jacob Frenkel – was met with mixed feelings among Frenkel's rivals, and welcomed by Tel Aviv's financial markets.

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said the cut reflected indications that the battle against inflation is bearing fruit. Netanyahu dismissed demands by various business circles that Frenkel's recently approved appointment for a second fiveyear term be reconsidered, and said he has "full faith" in Frenkel.

Frenkel himself was cautious in his assessment of his longstanding battle against inflation. Veteran warriors know there is no bigger danger than declaring victory prematurely," he said.

He added it would be a mistake to see the cut as a "U-turn," saying it merely reflects the state of inflationary pressures at a given

There is a good chance now that inflation for the remainder of this year will be lower than the 15% annual rate that prevailed during the first seven months of the year, but should the indicators take a different course, rates might have to be raised again, he

Meanwhile, the leading commercial banks said they will reduce the prime rate to 17.8%,

GALIT LIPKIS BECK, **EVELYN GORDON,** and Jerusalem Post Staff

Thursday. No change was announced in the rest of the components. In keeping with this decision, the maximum interest on approved credit at the banks will be 22.3% and the interest on excess credit will be 23.8% at Bank Leumi, First International Bank, and United Mizrahi Bank, 23.6% at Discount, and 23.4% at

Bank Hapoalim.
On the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, the Two-Sided Index jumped by 3.74%, while turnover reached NIS 100 million. However, traders said yesterday's improved results may also reflect a technical correction after 11 days of continuous declines.

The debt market also picked up, especially shekel-linked bonds, which registered purchase orders of NIS 115m., while Treasury bills attracted orders of NIS 313m. Traders said the Bank of Israel's introduction of the "security net" mechanism, in which the central bank buys surplus state bonds, has helped boost the mar-

"The market's main problem remains confidence," said Dan Kitri, a broker for Bank Otzar Hahayal. "It takes only a few minutes to destroy market confi-dence, but building it takes time." Manufacturers

Association, which has led the business lobby for cheaper money and has frequently attacked Frenkel personally, said the rate cut was insufficient and should have been 3%.

Histadrut Chairman Amir

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he hopes the next cost-of-living index is low enough to allow the central bank a further reduction in the price of credit.

In the Knesset, coalition members welcomed the cut.

Knesset Finance Committee chairman Avroham Ravitz said the fact that the cut is slightly deeper than the predicted 0.5%

would give an important psychological boost to the market.

"We're going in the right direction," he said. "From the point of view of the amount of money flowing into the market, this is insufficient, but from the point of view of psychology, it will do the

Silvan Shalom (Likud), who heads the coalition on the committee, also praised the move. saying it will remind investors that interest rates, just like stock prices, can fall as well as rise.

The next step, Shalom said, is to implement budget cuts, which would lower inflation and enable further rate cuts. The Finance Committee is to discuss NIS 350 million in planned cuts for 1996 today, and Shalom said he expects these to pass easily.

But unlike the 1996 cuts, which will pass tomorrow with the support of all coalition members, there is great opposition among coalition members to the [NIS 4.9 billion] cut planned for 1997." he warned.

In contrast, MK Avraham Shohat, who heads the opposition on the committee, said the cut was too slim to repair the "enormous damage" which he charged Frenkel's previous 1.5% rate hike had caused.

"But apparently, the governor understood the gravity of his error, and tried to rectify it this

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Gal Friedman captures bronze

GAL Friedman won Israel's first 1996 Olympic medal yesterday by capturing the bronze in the

Mistral windsurfing event.
The 21-year-old held off a challenge by New Zealand's Aaron McIntosh to become the country's third-ever medal winner, joining 1992 judokas Yael Arad (silver) and Oren Smadja (bronze).

Full Olympics story Page 10



Syria: Start talks where they left off

SYRIA is insisting that talks with Israel resume where they left off with Labor, a condition that will be difficult, if not impossible for the Netanyahu government to meet, sources said yesterday. While Labor says it did not

explicitly promise to fully withdraw from the Golan, there have been indications that officials here relayed territorial commitments to the US, which in turn conveyed its impressions to Damascus.

Another key Syrian demand, which is acceptable to Netanyahu, is an endorsement of the Likudbacked Madrid formula, which involved acceptance of UN Security Council Resolution 242. David Makovsky

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ment to another, Finishing the bypass roads; Canceling the administrative

orders which restrict the movements of right-wing Jewish

agreements he has signed. For me, this is the beginning ficult years of discrimination and deprivation - in which not only

will the [discrimination] be rectified, but there will be significant growth," said council chairman Pinhas Wallerstein afterward. Others, however, were more cautious.

Katzover said. "After the prime

dent that the building freeze, at least, would be lifted soon.

In contrast, he said, the council was somewhat disappointed by Netanyahu's stand on redeployment in Hebron: That he is committed to honoring all agreements signed by the previous government, if Arafat honors his

principle, willing to leave if these violations are fixed, he

declarations to the press can sometimes sabotage the actual implementation of plans...

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Turkey, Israel closer to defense industry pact

ANKARA (Reuter) - Turkey and Israel are close to sealing a defense industry cooperation agreement, the Turkish Foreign Ministry said yesterday, in the latest sign of growing ties between the two countries.

"We have an advanced stage for the conclusion of a defense industry cooperation agreement...It might be signed during the visit of [Defense Ministry Director-General David Ivry]." Foreign Ministry spokesman Omer Akhel told a news briefing.
Turkish Premier Necmettin Erbakan strongly

opposed an earlier military training pact between the two countries when his Islamist party was in after taking power.

"It is only a legal framework for such a cooperation. There is nothing specific in it," an Israeli official told Reuters.

He said Ivry is expected to visit Turkey next

The bilateral training agreement, made public in April, drew heavy criticism from Moslem countries which charged Ankara with abandoning Moslem solidarity against Israel.

Akbel said Turkey has signed similar defense industry deals with many other countries, includ-

Netanyahu's plans for new

TWO decisions that Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu announced in his first cabinet session six weeks ago, which symbolized his intention to bolster the authority of his own office and improve the quality of government, seem to be fading into

The decision to create a Council of Economic Advisers seems to already be doomed, and this could be followed by the demise of the planned National Security Council. Bank of Israel Governor Jacob Frenkel has said Netanyahu "slipped" when he called for the formation of the Council of Economic Advisers along the lines of the one in the US. Frenkel said he - not a group of economists - will offer advice, which will be supplemented by the central bank's expertise.

DAVID MAKOVSKY

While there was a great fanfare about bringing Defense Ministry Director-General David Ivry to the Prime Minister's Office to head an NSC, which would coordinate the entire security apparatus, this has still not happened and does not appear likely, centainly not as originally conceived.

Ivry has been waiting to hear what concrete authority he would have in the new post, which he apparently hopes will be operational and not just involve coordinating other bodies. Sources said an exasperated Ivry has made clear that he would wait until after the Jewish holidays in September before giving up on the idea. Some are holding out hope that a mini-NSC could be formed.

On a related issue, a major force in quent peace negotiations, Joel Ministry legal adviser next month.

Israel won't block nuke test ban

The decision, carefully worded. falls short of formal acceptance of CTBT, but suggests that Israel could sign CTBT, assuming a consensus on the current terms is reached involving two hold-out

Officials in Jerusalem say the move was taken as a gesture to the Clinton administration, which has made the passage of CTBT a major priority. The decision was taken after an agreement between the US and Israel was hammered out which potentially would ensure no overflights of the

According to the terms, Israel would have to approve all flight plans in advance, including the quality of cameras used by DAVID MAKOVSKY

inspectors.

According to foreign reports, Israel conducted one underground nuclear test in the Negev in 1966 and is believed to have tested a tactical nuclear warhead in the Indian Ocean in 1979. Israeli officials deny conducting any tests, and stick to the formula that "Israel will not be the first to introduce nuclear weapons" in the

The move by Israel on CTBT has been important to the US, as it seeks to coax other states suspected of having nuclear weapons, or of being on the threshold into

White House spokesman Michael McCurry said the US welcomed the decision by China. which just conducted an underground nuclear test, that it would call a moritorium on nuclear testing starting today.

As a signal of US pleasure with the expected announcement by

Israel, John Hollum, director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, made a trip here and met Foreign Minister David Levy earlier this week.

ment at the end of that meeting: "In the spirit of Israel's commitment to the banning of all nuclear weapon text explosions and any other nuclear explosions, Israel will not seek to open the present compromise CTBT text for further negotiations, provided that it is not opened by other participants

Disarmament in Geneva. Israel decided to adopt this position even though the present draft text of the CTBT does not adequately address some of Israel's con-

Mubarak calls for Hebron pullback

ISRAEL'S failure to redeploy in Hebron would create a problem for the Cairo regional economic summit this October, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak told Jewish leaders

Mubarak is to meet with President Bill Clinton at the White House today, followed by a press conference.

Mubarak's statement on the Cairo conference came during a response to a question on Hebron, participants said.

They said it was unclear whether Mubarak meant a failure to redeploy would cast a cloud over the event or actually deter Arab business and government leaders from attending. The US considers the annual summit, which was held in Casablanca and Amman in the past two years, crucial to engendering normalization in WASHINGTON

But a senior US official said the Americans "don't see any conditionality here. The Cairo economic summit is, first and foremost, in the interest of the Egyptian people. We don't believe the summit should be made conditional on any other issues."

Mubarak several times returned to the theme that Israel must do something "physically" to keep the peace process moving, Jewish leaders

Terrorism will diminish with progress in the peace process, they reported Mubarak to have

The official said Clinton will utilize today's meeting to encourage Egypt in two areas: to maintain a central role in the peace process and to accelerate economic reform.

He said the \$2.1 billion annual aid package to Egypt will not be a central issue in the meeting, but that it is bound to be one when Mubarak meets with the House International Relations and Senate Foreign Relations com-

mittees this week. Mubarak was scheduled to meet late vesterday with the two key senators controlling foreign aid: Mitch McConnell, the Republican who chairs the foreign operations subcommittee, and the panel's top Democrat, Patrick Leahy.

World Bank President James Wolfensohn said after meeting with Mubarak that he was satisfied with Egypt's tackling "macroeco-

nomic challenges. "In the opinion of the bank. [those] structural reforms are exactly in line with what needs

to be done," he said. **IDF** fights

for budget

increase

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

A DECISIVE meeting is being held today to discuss what the Defense Ministry hopes will be an increase of over NIS 1 billion to the 1997 budget.

its 1997 budget.
Army officials said that, if they

do not get the money, multi-year

programs may collapse, military supplies could reach dangerously

low levels and layoffs are likely to begin at defense industries.

Defense Minister Yitzhak
Mordechai will host the discus-

sion in Tel Aviv with Prime

Minister Binyamin Netanyahu.

Also participating will be Finance

Minister Dan Mendor, top IDF

brass and Defense Ministry officials. The meeting will take place

after Netanyahu meets with the

today's meeting will be more in depth and will deal with the

strategic assessments of the dangers facing the state and how the

The Defense Ministry, which

splits the defense budget between

the IDF and defense industries, is seeking an additional NIS 1.4b..

IDF intends to meet them.

Netanyahu met with members of the General Staff last week, but

IDF General Staff.

advisory councils losing ground

Meanwhile, Dore Netanyahu's senior foreign affairs adviser, has begun to assemble his own staff, which will deal with the overall relations with key players.

Motti Kristal, who monitored the implementation of the 1994 Jordan peace treaty at the Defense Ministry, will be in charge of a Jordanian desk. Similar desks on Palestinian and American affairs also will be established in the Prime Minister's Office, but it remains unclear whether a Syria desk will be formed.

the secret Oslo talks and the subse-Singer, is leaving his post as Foreign He will be rejoining the Washington-based law firm of Sidley and Austin.

ISRAEL has agreed in principle not to block an international con-sensus on reaching the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT). If signed, CTBT would prohibit Israel from conducting nuclear testing on its soil and necessitate accepting outside verification, albeit limited, for this

states, India and Pakistan.

Levy issued the following state-

the Conference on

Levy concluded that he hoped cooperation between the US and Israel would continue on this issue and said: "Israel wishes to continue this cooperation in the present phase of the negotiations with a view to the early conclusion of the CTBT." Earlier story, Page 5.



Participants in the Jewish National Fund Congressional Staff Mission (from left) Frances Norris, Jeff Trandahl, Bruce Quick and Barbara Zylinski, inspect the savannization work of the JNF and the International Arid Lands Consortium near Ofakim yesterday, with JNF employees Itzik Moshe and Zvika Avni.

Munk organ transplant patients doing well

KEREN MARKUZE

THREE people are recuperating after undergoing organ transplants Sunday and yesterday, following terror victim Ze'ev Munk's family's decision to donate his organs.

We knew his whole body was working properly ... Mother said that if it will help others, she is prepared to donate his organs," Munk's sister Michal told Israel Radio yesterday.

Munk's heart and one lung were donated to Vladislav Ivergimov, 20, of Dimona, who was born with a one-chambered heart, which caused undue pressure in his lungs. According to the Sheba Hospital spokesman, Ivergimov is "doing very well, and is breathing on his own." In Ichilov Hospital, Batsheva Peret, 37, of Beersheba, received Munk's pancreas and a kidney. Mimi Ben-Shitrit, 55, of Jerusalem, received Munk's liver at Hadassah-University Hospital in Ein Kerem.

area residents complain about security

THE nondescript, two-lane high-way that Match Yehuda Regional Council residents refer to as the "Road of Blood" - site of two recent drive-by shootings in which five people were killed - is deserted and difficult, even at midday.

Sharp curves force drivers to proceed slowly. The surrounding area is completely empty, except for the occasional small settlement. And metal guard rails on the sides of the road prevent drivers from being able to drive off the road in an emergency.
"Imagine what it's like to drive

this road at night," said Haim Ben-

David, security director for the regional council. "There wouldn't even be a place for you to run to if you saw you were in danger."

According to Ben-David, the biggest of the road's security problems, is the dozens of narrow dirt paths that run adjacent to, under. and away from the main road.

"These paths can take you all the way to the Green Line and beyond," he explained. "Someone who knows the area can get around on them pretty easily without being seen.

Sealing and patrolling those paths was high on a list of security

"We presented the list again after

now they'll be acted upon." In addition to blocking and patrolling the dirt paths, the council recommended that the 54-km "searn-line" separating the area

The council also recommended that area settlements and towns, most of which are currently patrolled by jeeps, should receive more advanced security vehicles and equipment. It said security officers - residents of the towns who receive police training ~ should not have their salaries or benefits decreased, as is planned under the government's recently-

In addition to the security officers, "many of these settlements have residents who volunteer their time and equipment to assist in patrolling their area," he said. "Equipment should be donated to ensure that those who want to help will be able to do so."

Finally, the council recommended that main roads receive better lighting and regular security patrols. The current situation, Ben-David stressed, is unacceptable.

"Residents are afraid to take the roads," he said. "The government has to do everything necessary to restore people's sense of security. When families are slaughtered on the roads and people are afraid to leave their homes, something has to change. Things simply cannot continue like this."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Israeli TWA crash victim buried

Gadi Notis, who was killed in the July 17 crash of TWA Flight 800 off Long Island, was buried in Ra'anana yesterday. The body was flown here following identification by the family. Notis, 29, worked for a Wall Street firm and was on the flight to

attend a business meeting in Paris. Representatives of the firm were among the dozens of mourners at the Ra'anana cemetery.

Eitan to set up new environmental body Environment Minister Rafael Eitan has decided to set up a new body to concentrate on environmental issues in Judea and Samaria. The body will deal with open territories in area C, which are currently under the aegis of the civil administration.

Body washes up on Tel Aviv beach A man's body washed up on the shore in Tel Aviv yesterday afternoon. A Magen David Adom doctor said the man had apparently drowned. Police searched the area for clothing and identifying documents.

Army reopens Kalkilya and Dhahiriya
The IDF yesterday reopened the Kalkilya and Dhahiriya areas to Israelis after they were closed off in recent days following twoincidents involving Israelis and the Palestinian Police. Both towns are in Area B. In one incident, a resident of Rahat was killed and in another, a baby was shot and lightly wounded.

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recommendations the regional council presented to both the previous and the current governments. But none of them were implemented, Ben-David said.

this attack," he added. "Hopefully,

from the West Bank be sealed off both by electronic and barrier

PA prisoners in Nablus on hunger strike JON IMMANUEL

SECURITY prisoners have been on an 11-day hunger strike in Juneid Prison in Nablus, demanding that they either be charged or released, after serving more than four months in jail after being arrested by Palestinian Authority security forces following the February and March

suicide attacks. Some 37 prisoners, mostly iden-tified with Hamas, began the hunger strike on July 18. About 25 are students from An-Najah University, arrested during a demonstration there in late March. Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat later went to the university to calm the situation and apologized for the excessive use of force by police who curbed the demonstration. He also recalled Nablus police commander Ali

Hosni to Gaza. The prisoners have also complained about bad cell conditions. poor food, and solitary confine-

After refusing to take solid food, some of the prisoners stopped taking water late last week. Palestinian sources said that five were taken to Rafidya Hospital over the weekend, while two were in poor health.

Some 600 suspected Hamas

activists and sympathizers are still

in jail in the West Bank and Gaza

following Arafat's crackdown

approved budget cuts.



Absorption Minister Yuli Edelstein (far left) visits a group of children brought here from Chernobyl at Kfar Habad yesterday.

NEWS IN BRIEF

'Yediot' publisher questioned again by police Yediot Aharonot publisher Arnon Mozes was questioned further yesterday by police in connection with the media wiretapping case. The paper's building manager, Haim Rosenberg, was also summoned for questioning, after being released from house arrest on Sunday. The two were questioned intensively last week. Mozes is suspected of commissioning, via Rosenberg and others, taps on phones and faxes. Rosenberg is also suspected of suborning witnesses and disrupting the police investigation. Mozes was first questioned last year, but his investigation was put on hold until corroborating evidence could be obtained. Raine Marcus

Channel 2 boosts signal in Jerusalem Thousands of Jerusalemites, who until now could only get Channel 2 broadcasts via the cable companies, can now get direct reception, with the inauguration of the Second Television and Radio Authority's (STRA) newest transmitter atop the Shalom Hotel. The city center, Mevasseret Zion, and southern neighborhoods can receive the transmissions on channel 36. Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert and STRA general manager Nahman Shai will officially launch the new transmitter in a ceremony today.

Dell: Schools should pay for copied material Education Ministry Director-General Benzion Dell has instructed schools and local councils not to collect money from pupils for ocopied material. He noted that it has been ministry policy for

the past two years to pay for such materials. Dell said that the ministry would transfer the funds this week to the local councils and that the money would soon reach the schools. Itim

Levy-Agron honored by Education Ministry
Dance pioneer Hassia Levy-Agron has been named the first recipient
of the Education Minister's Prize for Life Achievement in Dance. A seventh-generation Jerusalemite, Levy-Agron studied dance with Gertrude Kraus and Martha Graham, among others. She established and heads the dance faculty of the Jerusalem Atademy of Music and Dance and was named professor of dance in 1978. Helen Kaye

Ya'acov Alberon returns to prison

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Ya'acov Alperon, who was released on parole from Sharon Prison last Thursday, returned yesterday to serve two-and-a-half more years. The High Court of Justice ruled on Sunday that the parole board had erred in releasing him, given his lengthy criminal record. He will be allowed to reapply for parole in one year.

Army ordered to justify benefit refusal
The High Court of Justice has given the IDF 45 days to justify its
refusal to grant the homosexual lover of a deceased officer the benefits normally given families to enable them to memorialize their loved ones. The show-cause order was issued in response to a petition by Adir Steiner, who lived with Col. Doron Meisel for

seven years, until the latter's death in 1991.

Klezmer festival opens in Safed
Dozens of klezmer artists from Israel and abroad gathered in Safed
yesterday for the opening of the Ninth Annual Klezmer Festival. The festival will be accompanied by events for children and a food fest featuring the menus of different ethnic groups.

Thousands are expected to attend the three-day event. All entrances to Safed will be closed to private vehicles as of 5 p.m. and public transporation will be provided to the events.

Heavy security planned for Arad Festival

SOME 1,000 policemen, Civil Guard volunteers, and other security personnel will ensure maximum safety for the thousands expected to attend this year's Arad Festival, Negev police chief Dep.-Crndr. Dudi Cohen said yesterday.

"We have learned all the lessons, one by one, and studied all the conclusions reached by committees after last year's disaster," said Cohen. The festival is scheduled for

next Tuesday through Thursday. Last year, three teenagers were killed during a stampede at one of the festival's concerts. Following the tragedy, several police officers resigned or were transferred, and various committees were set up to examine the circumstances of the incident. Police questioned scores of people, including organizers, impresarios, and security companies, but no charges have been

Minor blast damages NYC synagogue

MARILYN HENRY NEW YORK

firecrackers, exploded in front of a Queens synagogue Saturday night, blasting a hole in the building's heavy wooden doors, New York newspapers reported yesterday. No one was injured.

Police had no suspects yesterday, and had not classified the incident at the Queensboro Hill Jewish Center as a bias crime, according to newspaper accounts.

The synagogue has not received any threats. But the center has been vandalized several times in the last few years, the newspapers reported.

Vandals have thrown rocks through windows of an adjoining building that houses a kindergarten, have painted graffiti on walls, and previously entered the building after breaking the locks on the same doors damaged

"We have appointed inspectors to supervise each event, and there will be 460 regular policemen on duty each day, apart from other security forces, to give parents sending their children, and the teenagers themselves, a feeling of security," said Cohen. "We have taken into account every possible scenario and are prepared for everything." Festival organizers will operate

an information hot-line. While police will concentrate on security, Cohen stressed that they will also crack down on drug use and dealing.

TRANSPORT Minister Yitzhak Levy yesterday rejected Royal Jordanian Airline's request to fly

between Haifa and Amman. The airline has been pressing to fly to Haifa and to begin flights between Ben-Gurion Airport and Akaba. Levy said, however, that he has no intention of adding any flights between Israel and Jordan, particularly since flights between

fully booked. Levy also said that Civil Aviation Authority head Menahem Sharon is trying to find a solution to the issue of flight routes. At present, Royal

Ben-Gurion and Amman are not

CIS orphan aliyah

Committee chairwoman Naomi Blumenthal noted that the author-

ities in the CIS had demanded secrecy as a condition for the pro-

ject. She said the future of the pro-

ject is now in doubt, but she

would do her best to ensure it con-

As adults, they could say they

want to come to Israel, but what

can a six-year old who is living in

the streets do? One child was found on the streets having spent

three days next to his mother's

body. Should we have asked him:

'Do you want to exercise your

right to come to Israel?' I'll do

everything to make sure that this

child has a better life,"

Most of the children are now in

state-run boarding schools.

Blumenthal said.

"We have heard of the conditions these children lived in there.

the west, thus tripling its flying

altered its position on the projected joint Israeli-Jordanian airport that is to serve both Eilat and Akaba. In the past, the ministry had given such a facility its unqualified approval, but it now says that the joint airport should

that everything about the project was completely legal.

MKs Sofia Landver (Labor) and

Ministry officials rejected claims that the children are not receiving adequate health care and insisted

Marina Solodkin (Yisrael Ba'aliya), both originally from the former Soviet Union, stressed the poor physical, social, and psychological conditions the children suffered in the CIS. Landver demanded legal action against those responsible for publishing the story and endangering the pro-

MK Michael Kleiner (Likud) demanded that sensitive stories of immigration projects be censored. Meretz leader Yossi Sarid, on the other hand, said the secrecy is in itself detrimental, as such stories almost inevitably leak out and the consequences are worse than if the project had been run

Jordanian airline denied Amman-Haifa route

Jordanian is forced to land from

Meanwhile, the ministry has not replace the Eilat Airport.

The ministry now proposes that the joint airport have its airfield in Jordan and two terminals, one in each country, with the Israeli ter-

minal serving international flights destined for Eilat, Local flights, however, would continue to land in Eilat itself.

In a related matter, the ministry noted that the bus route between Tel Aviv and Amman has proved a resounding success, with full buses on Sunday and Thursday and almost-full buses on other days. Given this, the Dan bus cooperative, which has the concession, has decided to use larger and more luxurious vehicles on the route.

According to the ministry, most of the passengers are Israeli Jews taking a short vacation in Jordan or Israeli Arabs visiting family.

Judge stops construction on Haifa project

A HAIFA District Court judge yesterday issued a stop-work order against the construction of the Carmel Beach Towers luxury apartment complex. The decision followed a suit filed by the Israel Union for Environmental Defense (IUED), against the Haifa planning and construction commission and the project's

IUED claimed the multi-tower complex is being built in violation of building permits received by the developers, which allow for limited construction of tourism facilities, whereas the project includes the construction

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dominiums. The towers will block the view of the Mediterranean and violate beach conservation statutes by being too close to the shore, the IUED said.

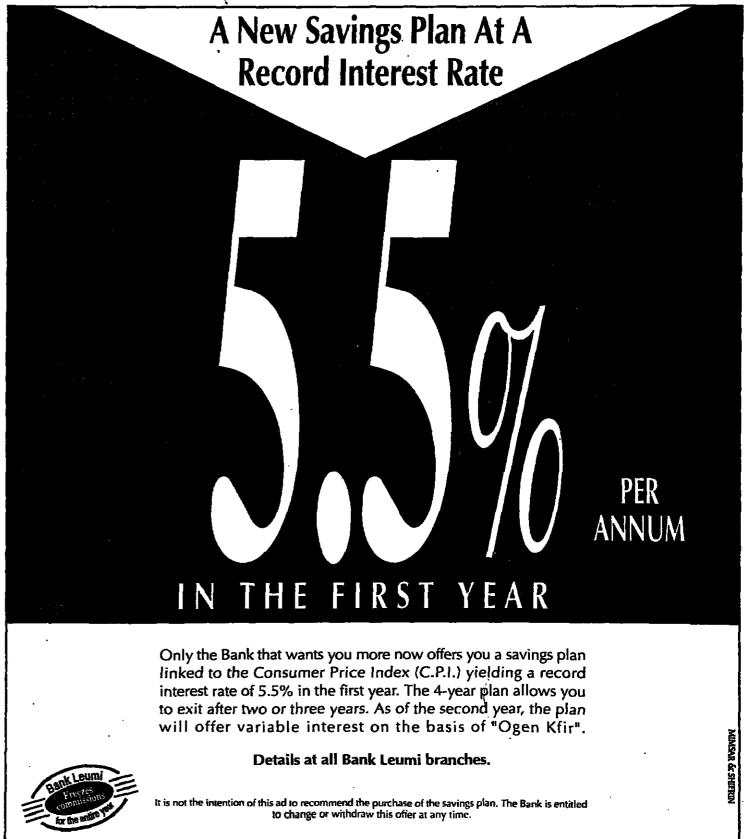
Judge Dan Bein handed down a stop-work order which will be in effect until the final decision on the suit. He ruled that all work on the complex must stop, except on the first tower, which is near completion.

In his decision, Bein wrote that the question of whether the construction is in accordance a serious one which must be decided by the court. He added that it appears that there is merit to the IUED's claim.

Conservationists praised the decision, noting it is the first time construction has been halted on such a large project.
"The court's decision is an important mes-

sage to the violators of environmental laws," said IUED director Daniel Fisch.

Sammy Chayen, a spokesman for the organization, called on the Haifa City Council "not to miss the fantastic opportunity to try and mend the harm to the Carmel Beach by rezon-





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The end of the age of innocence has arrived

ACROSS America the Stars and Stripes were at half mast once more. It has barely risen since

The first anniversary of the Oklahoma bombing, the attack on the barracks in Dhahran, the loss of TWA flight 800, and now the dead and injured in Atlanta.

The Olympic Games was to have been a chance to wave the flag in its proper place: at the head of the pole, on top of the world. The American people heralded each golden victory last week with a sense of triumphalism that at times seemed to border on the

Perhaps it was relief that all was well with the world, that Team USA was a winner once more. The nightmare of international terrorism could be forgotten for the glories of the Dream Team.

The authorities had nicknamed Atlanta "Fort Sport", but the events of the past 12 days have shown that America is no longer a fortress. The growing belief that the loss of TWA 800 was caused by a bomb planted at Kennedy Airport and the explosion in Centennial Park Saturday show that this is a country of 250 mil-

lion potential targets.
Where is safe in America now? So long free from the perils of other lands, its citizens woke up Saturday with a campaign of terror on their doorstep. They are as unused to being the victims as they are to losing. Both are hard to comprehend.

It will take some getting used to. Somehow the attack on the Olympics establishes a pattern, a routine of violence that is familiar elsewhere. The determination of officials to carry on the Games as usual cannot conceal that the finite must be business as unusu-

Where next? The final of the baseball World Series this autumn? The Super Bowl next January? Disneyworld? The Statue of Liberty? Bloomingdales and Central Park? There are many targets for the potential terrorist, more symbols of the American way of life than just the White

Already President Clinton has warned that internal airport security will be stepped up and that this will mean longer queues and more expensive air fares. But a metal detector to meet Mickey Mouse? And the only thing most American shops want to know about the contents of their customers' bags is the number on their credit cards.

Atlanta thought it was prepared. There were bomb squads at every site and a system of passes and accreditation so ruthlessly effective that at times it almost threatened to paralyse the Games. But the rock concert which was the target of the bombers was outside

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the inner ring of steel, a free event for the ordinary fan to enjoy, to dance and swap pin badges.

Even though a security guard spotted the knapsack with the device within minutes, even though police had already begun to clear the area, it was already too late. As London and Belfast have long discovered, you only identify your loopholes by bitter experience.

America fears terrorism, but has not lived with it. Faced with the prospect of the IRA in the cities of Britain, the tourists take off their Burberry raincoats and stay in Kansas. The first rattle of shot in the Gulf War was enough to frighten the Hollywood tough guys from the Cannes film festi-

Many Americans do not venture abroad at all, where the food is

funny and the air conditioning never works. They prefer to experience the world second-hand. They can walk the Great Wall of China in Florida, see the Cathedral of Notre Dame while munching popcorn and slurping

Coke at their local cinema. The sense of superiority that romanticises the IRA as freedom fighters and pours dollars into Derry may now seem less certain. America is learning the lesson of cause and effect, particularly in Israel. Foreign adventures can sometimes bring back unwanted

Somehow America always seemed safe, an island in an uncomfortable world. From time to time - two world wars; Korea, Bosnia - it can ride out like John Wayne, but always return to shut the gates of the fortress.

Such disasters which befall its citizens are mostly acts of God or nature; tornadoes, hurricanes,

blizzards and floods. Even the other hazards were home-grown the car and the air crash, the right to bear arms. A reporter interviewing doctors at the hospital, where many of the bomb victims were taken was told that the casualty toll was no worse than for a

typical Friday night. These things are part of life. Terrorism is not And the American brand seems to be a particularly virulent strain. At least the British Government knows that the IRA wants a united Ireland when it lays waste a Manchester shopping centre. It can seek to negotiate, to move on from the gun to the ballot box. Likewise ETA and the Tamil Tigers may be mindless, but not motiveless.

The threat to America is still nameless and faceless. Probably it is revenge. No one has yet claimed responsibility for Atlanta nor TWA 800. The identity of the

World Trade and Oklahoma City bombers was known only because they were caught, the result of

good detective work and luck. America is likely to need a great deal more of both, although prevention is more likely than cure. Suspicion usually falls on the radical Islamic world. And while farright fanatics and militiamen are also now on the list, it should be remembered that the Unabomber was neither. Finding those responsible will not be easy. This is a nation of foreigners as much as it

is of nut cases. Witnesses to the explosion at the Games seemed confused by the flash and noise, the rapidly fading plume of smoke. Some thought it was a pyrotechnic stunt to end the rock concert. Others that it was fireworks or lightning. No one is likely to make the

same mistake next time. An age of innocence is over. (Daily Telegraph)

TWA crash investigators seek metal to prove bomb theory

INVESTIGATORS say a key piece of metal could prove a theory that TWA Flight 800 was destroyed by a bomb in the front cargo section that blew off the cockpit and first-class cabin.

A source close to the investigation said a piece of the plane's aluminum coating close to the explosion would probably tell what caused the blast and whether the metal was pierced from the inside a bomb, or the outside – a mis-

The source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the piece of metal was needed in order to declare the crash a crime.

The search was focused on a debris field 30 m below the Atlantic Ocean, where the first wreckage settled, including first-class seats and the front landing gear.
As divers searched the ocean

floor Sunday, James Kallstrom, the FBI agent in charge, said the piece of metal "could be the next piece the Navy turns over to us. We know which pieces we want. ... We hope in the next 24 hours we will get something." Searchers were working around

GENEVA (Reuter) - Women in

rich and poor countries around

the world work longer hours but

are paid 25 percent less than men

doing the same job, the.

And although more women

were entering the global labor

market, they ran a higher risk of

unemployment and had had little

success in mounting the ladder

to top management posts,

according to a new ILO report

more and more women are work-

ing, the great majority of them

are simply swelling the ranks of the working poor, said the

report, written by UN agency

remain highly concentrated in

low-wage, low-productivity and

precarious forms on employ-

The ILO said the majority of

women earned about three quar-

ters of the male wage for the

same work, outside the agricul-

tural sector and in industrialized

"Women's economic activities

analyst Lin Lean Lim.

ment," she added.

The bottom line is that while

(ILO) says.

out today.

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"We're always interested in what came off first," said Robert Francis. head of the search, explaining investigators' interest in the area. Things that come off first tend to be an indicator of what

happened. Francis, who is vice chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, declined to confirm or deny the primacy of the bomb theory. Investigators were speculating that the explosion was caused by a bomb in the front cargo section,

one of them said. The plane exploded in a fireball July 17, killing all 230 people aboard. The local medical examiner's office said yesterday that 157 bodies had been recovered, and all but six had been identified.

The source said the jet apparent-"flew without a front for 10 to 11 seconds" after the initial blast. Some passengers in first class were thrown out of the plane by the force of the explosion.

Women work more but are paid less

and emerging economies, and

In many richer countries,

women's unemployment rates

world women held less than six

percent of senior management

The ILO said there had been a

surge of women entering the

labor force in the richer coun-

tries of the North and in the poor

and developing countries of the

Over the last decade and a half,

the report indicated, the number

of women taking up. jobs for the first time in the 27 advanced

countries of the Organization for

Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) grew at

more than twice the rate for men.

But in these countries - includ-

ing the United States and the 15

nations of the European Union -

women worked at least two

hours a week more than men,

and often five to 10 hours more.

East and South-East Asia.

women with their relatively

In the emerging economies of

posts, according to the report.

ran from 50 to 100 percent more competitiveness.

the gap was not decreasing.

The source said the disaster "has a lot of similarities to Pan Am

International Labor Organization than for men and around the

103," which exploded over Scotland in 1988 after a terrorist bomb went off in a cargo hold.

The electrical equipment of the 747 is located just ahead of the front cargo bay, which could explain why the cockpit voice recorder and the flight data recorder were cut off abruptly without any sign of trouble 11 1/2 minutes after the jetliner left Kennedy Airport in New York City.

Radar continued to track the plane, or a portion of it, through the sky for some seconds after the recorders shut down.

The source would not say what new evidence might have turned up to focus investigators on the

bomb theory.

No physical evidence - such as chemical residue from explosives on airline debris - has been found to confirm suspicions of sabotage. The Pirouette, one of two prima-

ry search and salvage vessels, was ready to move a mile and a half to the southwest and anchor over the area where the first debris landed.

The Navy said another salvage ship, the Grapple, was en route to the same area and should be ready to lift wreckage by today. (AP)

cheap labor provided up to 80

percent of the work force in the

export industries that had given

these states their new power and

Director-General

Caribbean

At the same time, said ILO

Hansenne in an introduction to

the report, "their willingness to

give up home and family to

become migrant workers has

greatly increased some coun-

tries' foreign exchange earn-

made some real gains, especially

in the richer countries as well as

in Latin America and the

US women were forming their

own businesses at a greater rate

than men and some developed

and developing countries had

still face unequal hiring stan-

dards, unequal opportunities for

training and retraining, unequal

access to productive resources,

segregation and concentration in

a narrow range of 'female' occu-

"But relative to men, women

passed pay equity laws.

The report said women had

Russian warships seen moored on the River Neva in St. Petersburg take part in the fleet's 300th birthday celebrations yesterday. (Remer)

Goodwill flows as floods threaten North Korea

NORTH and South Korea made rare goodwill gestures yesterday as floods threatened to wreak havoc on crops in the communist help create a mood that encour-North for the second year in a ages North Korea to cooperation

In the tense Korean border village of Panmunjom, Pyongyang returned remains believed to be those of a US pilot missing since the Korean War, while Seoul let a northern soldier go home after he had drifted to the South in a

The soldier, found on Friday clinging to a log in the Imjin river and picked up by police under a bridge, had told investigators that he had accidently reached the South and wanted to go home, Seoul officials said.

The river runs through the heavily fortified Demilitarized

Seoul also said it would send government officials, businessmen and journalists to a UNbacked investment forum to be held in September in North

"Any crop damage in the North will be a blow to Pyongyang which is reeling from food shortages and an economic crisis," said Huh Moon-young, an expert on North Korea at the Research Institute for National Unification, a Seoul think-tank.

The goodwill gestures could

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with the West and South, which it needs to overcome its current dif-

ficulties." he said. A report on North Korean television by Chong Yong-u, deputy director of North Korea's Central Weather Forecast Research, said there had been rain of up to 496 mm in some places in the southwest of the country since last Wednesday. The report issued a

flood warning. "During the period of July 24 to 28, relatively strong showers and torrential rain fell in Pyongyang, North and South Pyongan Provinces, North and South Hwanghae Provinces, and in the west areas in Kangwon

Province," Chong said. Last year, devastating floods in June and July inundated a substantial portion of North Korea's rice paddies, leading the country to ask for food aid from the United States, Japan and South

Washington, Tokyo and Seoul. have agreed to donate \$15.2 million in response to a recent appeal by the United Nations for emergency food supplies to North

In Seoul, agricultural experts

said the rains last week were likely to have caused serious damage to crops in North Korea.

"It is quite likely that beavy rains this year have inflicted a more serious blow than the damage caused by floods last year," said Kim Woon-keun, research director of the state-funded Korea Rural Economic Institute in Seoul_

He said North Korea was due to harvest corn in late July and early August and that last week's heavy rains would have been detrimen-

Corn is an important staple in North Korea which has been suffering from a chronic shortage of rice in recent years.

In Rome, the UN World Food Programme (WFP) said yesterday: it was expanding its emergency food aid operation in North Korea to feed 1.5 million people.

The agency said in a statement that the \$25.9 million operation would run until next spring and would feed victims of 1995 floods. The project would also cover children affected by food shortages.

The statement came as another Rome-based UN agency, the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), said it was sessing the potential damage to this year's North Korean corn and rice harvest after torrential rains hit the country last week. (Reuter)

Spy tells how he lived in 'panicky

MOSCOW (Reuter) - A Russian alleged to have spied for Britain told an interviewer in prison where he is awaiting trial that he had lived and operated in "panicky fear."

NTV station carried extracts from an interview in which a man identified as Platon Obukhov, 28, said: "Before and after each contact I vomited, I could not eat. I was in panicky fear."

It said Obukhov had been charged with "high treason in the form of espionage", an offense punishable by the death penalty, carried out with a single shot in -the back of the head.

The extracts were preceded by a short interview with a man identified as Viktor Shkarin, an investigator with Russia's Federal Security Service (FSB), who said Obukhov had been detained in April and charged with espionage. Authorities had not earlier named the man arrested and FSB officials were not immediately available to comment on the tele-

vision report Obukhov was named last week by the newspaper Argumenty i Fakty as the man who triggered a major spy scandal earlier this year after being accused of passing information to British intelligence and said he was a foreign ministry

Obukhov writes espionage thrillers on the side, it said. "I had a very unpleasant feeling,

but I could not escape," Obukhov said in the television interview, "I was doomed, I ran like a clockwork toy mouse, I ran and ran until it all ended."

Britain in May expelled four Russian diplomats after Moscow ejected four British Embassy employees Moscow accused of links to a Russian citizen who had access to classified information. The name of the alleged spy was not disclosed at the time. NTV did not say how the

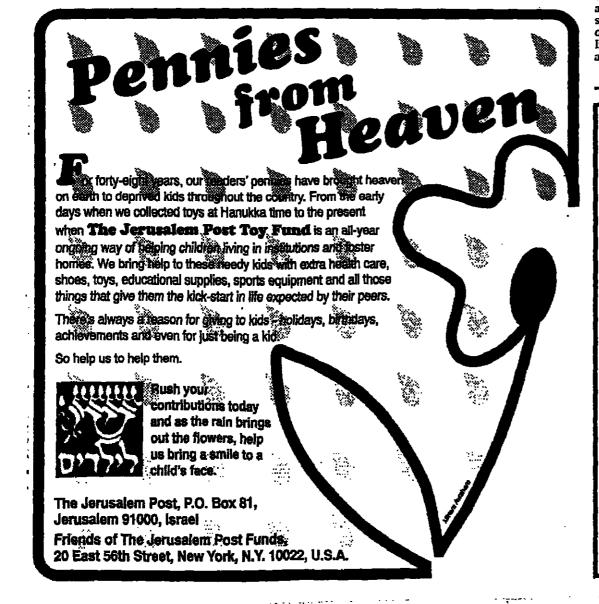
British were believed to have recruited Obukhov, a second secretary in the Foreign Ministry's prestige North America Department and son of Alexei Obukhov, former Soviet deputy foreign minister and a top disarmament negotiator.

But the television mentioned "compromising material" it said had been used to recruit him about 18 months ago.

He said he earned only an equivalent of \$100 a month in the ministry but was well off through his books, such as In the Embrace of the Spider and Fateful Woman. sold at stalls in Moscow's underground passes and railway sta-

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Bombed Olympic park reopens, tips pour in to FBI

AFLANTA (AP) - Former mayor Andrew Young will lead a memori-al service for the victims of the bombing when Atlanta, refusing to be bowed by terrorism, reopens Centennial Olympic Park this morn-

Young US ambassador to the United Nations under former President Jimmy Carter and an ordained minister, will lead a 10 a.m. gathering in prayers at the popwar park.

Gates to the 8.5 hectare park will neopen at 8 a.m. so that it can again "bring the people of the world together in the Atlanta Games," Bob Brennan, spokesman for the Olympics organizing committee. said vesterday

Security will be tightened, howevет, with twice as many police as before. Police will be empowered to conduct random searches of visitors' bags.

Federal investigators have been flooded with information - including videotapes and photographs that could lead to the bomber who scarred the Atlanta Games.

We are confident that we will solve this horrible crime," FBI spokesman David Tubbs said after the bureau had completed its search for evidence in the park. The bomb exploded there early Saturday, killing a woman and injuring more than 100 people:

Despite the temporary closure of the park, Atlantans and their visitors took to the streets and packed Olympic venues, displaying an air of defiance in the face of terrorism.

"I am not going to let them hold me hostage," Katherine Williams of Atlanta said as she joined the crowd strolling past souvenir stands a half block from Centennial Park, "I am going to go as freely as I always

The blast killed Alice Hawthorne,

suffered an attack of nerves yes-

with some companies closing

early following a series of bomb

scares and unfounded rumors of

- At least three office buildings

were evacuated and searched by

police and troops after bomb

scares in the central business dis-

trict. Nothing was found but

troops moved in to guard the

The paim oil market in Jakarta

was inactive throughout the day

and traders said they had headed

home early following the bomb

alerts and unfounded rumors of

The Indonesian currency, the

rupiah, fluctuated and was at the

day's low of 2,360 to the dollar in

late trading. Dealers attributed

this to stop-loss selling of the

largest - and smelliest - flower.

The stock market bore the brunt of the shock, with the com-

city's main office area.

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44, of Albany, Georgia, and led indirectly to the death of a Turkish cameraman Melih Uzunyol, 40, who suffered a heart attack rushing to the

Police said when John Hawthome rushed to Atlanta after hearing his wife had been killed and their daughter had been injured by the bomb, the Hawthornes' house was

Meanwhile, the FBI said it had assembled a vast array of evidence it hoped would lead to a suspect in the

In addition to fragments from the crude pipe bomb, the bureau said it had received more than 600 telephone calls offering information about the crime, plus numerous photographs and videotapes.

Tubbs said the bureau also was reviewing film from four surveillance cameras that overlooked the site of the bombing. And an FBI lab was analyzing the pay telephone believed to have been used to call in a bomb threat.

Authorities said they do not yet have a suspect in the case. But Tubbs said sketch artists have drawn composite portraits based on eyewitness accounts. He said investigators needed to determine the authenticity of those accounts before releasing the sketches to the public.

"We believe we have a number of significant leads that we're follow-

ing," he said.

The FBI has said it believes the bomber is a white American man. That conclusion is based on an analysis of the voice heard in a telephone call to the police emergency number 18 minutes before the bomb exploded. The caller warned that a bomb would go off in Centennial Park in a half hour.

Tubbs said there have been no calls since then by anyone claiming responsibility for the bombing.

posite index tumbling more than

five percent in the late morning

Jakarta was hit by its worst

riots in two decades on Saturday

after police stormed and took

over the headquarters of the

Indonesian Democratic Party

The police evicted political

building for a month in support

of Megawati Sukamoputri, the

daughter of Indonesia's late pres-

ident Sukarno, ousted as PDI

takeover of the PDI headquarters

and subsequent riol.

Jakarta suffers

post-riot nerves

terday after a weekend riot before closing down 3.66 percent

(PDI).

rocked the city of 10 million, at 540.74 points.



Greenpeace activists demonstrate outside UN headquarters in Geneva yesterday where negotiations resumed on the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. The demonstrators lay around a large mock nuclear bomb and called for an immediate adoption

China's final nuclear blast heralds test moratorium

CHINA yesterday carried out its last nuclear test explosion before a self-imposed moratorium on testing that Beijing said would push the world closer to the dream of nuclear disarmament.

The test in remote Lop Nor in northwestern China's Xinjiang region came as international negotiators prepared for talks in Geneva to try to hammer out a global ban on nuclear testing.

"China successfully conducted a nuclear test today," the official Xinhua news agency said. The Chinese government hereby solemnly declares that it will start a moratorium on nuclear testing effective from July 30, 1996.

Halting nuclear tests is an important step toward nuclear disarmament," said Xinhua,

Organization said the Chinese underground nuclear test measured 4.3 on the Richter scale and yielded an explosion equivalent to between one and five kilotons of TNT explosives.

The United States added its voice to those of Asian nations in regretting the underground test, but it welcomed China's announcement that it would abide by a moratorium on such testing News agencies BEIJING

nuclear test conducted by China last night but welcomes its announcement that it will now abide by a moratorium on nuclear testing effective July 30, 1996," the White House said in a statement.

France, which provoked global protest with its own final series of nuclear tests, hailed China's announcement that it had stopped testing but made no mention of yesterday's blast.

"France notes with satisfaction China's announcement of a definitive end to all its nuclear tests with effect from July 30," foreign ministry spokesman Jacques Rummelhardt said. Negotiators converged at the UN European headquarters for talks they said could drag on for days or weeks.

Although most nuclear powers have accepted a compromise proposal, India and China were still holding out for changes, as were several nonnuclear riations. Ambassador Sha Zukang, who heads China's explosion and promised that China would now observe a moratorium on testing. Asked afterwards about reaction to China's announcement, Sha told reporters, "They should

welcome it because China's testing is over." He said the test coincided with the resumption of negotiations in Geneva "just to show that China is very positive toward the negotiations and we want the treaty before September."

The latest draft treaty was proposed June 28 by Dutch diplomat and mediator Jaap Ramaker. During the intervening month of diplomatic activity, four of the five declared nuclear powers Britain, France, Russia and the United States have thrown their weight behind the accord.

Speaking for the fifth nuclear power. Sha said China was dissatisfied with a provision that allows nations appointed to enforce the treaty to order inspections based on a majority vote. China wants to require a two-thirds vote for inspections of nations suspected of violating the

Sha said, "we are prepared to be flexible. But not to the extent to accept it (the text) as it is. Israel, one of three so-called threshold coundelegation to the 61-nation Conference on tries considered capable of having nuclear arse-Disarmament, briefed other negotiators on the nals, said it backs the accord.

Tutsi-led Burundi army kills at least 30 Hutus

News agençies - BUJUMBURA

BURUNDI'S Tutsi-led army killed 30 Hutus in retaliation for a rebel attack that set a coffee plantation ablaze in central Burundi, a military spokesman said yesterday.

Lt. Col. Longin Minani said the rebels attacked the facility near Gitega, 80 km east of the capital, Bujumbura, overnight Friday, and the army retaliated by "killing a few Hutu rebels."

Asked how many a few was, he said "Thirty. That's a few because there were a lot of

Hutu civilians in the area told Western reporters that at least 50 and as many as 150 people were killed by the Tutsi troops Saturday, although the journalists saw no graves and no dead bodies. There were no other details immediately available.

Charles Kaburahe, a director of the state-run coffee company. said the rebels burned a small coffee factory in Giheta, seven miles (11 kilometers) west of Gitega. "Three tons of coffee were destroyed and some electronic equipment was stolen, but no employees were hurt. he

Burundi's military ruler went on a charm offensive with foreign diplomats vesterday, saying he was a democrat whose coup last week was aimed at ending bloodshed in his tiny central African country.

"I am a democrat more than others and we could not let other people commit a genocide," said Pierre Buyoya, who seized power on July 25 after the Tutsi army threw out Hutu President Sylvestre Ntibantunganya.

Some 150,000 people have died in three years of violence between Hutus, who are about 85 percent of Burundi's population and Tutsis, who dominate the military and state apparatus.

We had to make sure the killings stopped. Since last week the forces of insurrection were in place to change this country. It was this that motivated our change (coup)." he said in French in a briefing to the diplomatic corps at a Bujumbura hotel.

Belgian Ambassador Marc van Craen, responding to Buyoya on behalf of the assembled diplomats, said:

"It's important for us to know why there have been these changes. We thank you and hope that the process will continue. We are going to continue to communicate with your government...," he said. US Ambassador Morris

"Rusty" Hughes told reporters in answer to questions after the meeting that he had been reassured by Buyoya's comments.

Beijing's mouthpiece.
The Australian Geological Survey

"The United States regrets the underground

Turkish hunger strikes end but more deaths likely

activists who had occupied the hunger strike at Turkish prisons has ended, but with some inmates still in critical condition, the death toll is expected to rise. Shortly after justice officials

leader by government-backed rivals on June 23. The official Antara news agency quoted the central Jakarta police chief Lieutenant-Colonel R. Abubakar as saying police had arrested 249 people in connection with the riots. They were being questioned at police headquarters. ministry said.

He said three people had died and 54 were injured after the

ANKARA (AP) - The 69-day old protesting inmates.

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announced they had reached a deal to end the fasting Saturday night, another prisoner died, bringing the death toll to 12. Seven of the 170 inmates who were hospitalized early Sunday were in intensive care, the health

"It is much too late to save

them," said lawyer Behic Asci, who represented some of the

Foreign Minister and Deputy Prime Minister Tansu Ciller yesterday fended off criticism from Turkey's Western allies on prison conditions and invited a European human rights committee to visit Turkish jails.

Mrs. Ciller replied to the foreign ministers of Germany, France and Italy, as well as to the European Commission and European Parliament Socialists Group who

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had sent letters of criticism during the prison crisis, the statement said.

Some 2.000 leftist inmates launched the hunger strike in May to protest harsh inmate transfers, inadequate medical care and restrictions on visitation rights for political prisoners. About 4,000 Kurdish inmates joined them in

solidarity last week. After holding firm against the

strikers' demands for more than two months, Turkey's month-old Islam-oriented government finally agreed to send 102 political

of their trials, negotiators said,

But some predicted that Turkish

prisons may be convulsed by sim-

ilar protests in the future unless

the government radically over-

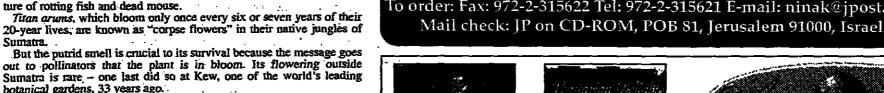
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biggest (and worst-smelling) flower

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They were undeterred by the fact that when it blooms sometime this week the three-meter wide titan arum exudes an odor described as a mix-

"It's not out yet, and it may not come out this afternoon," said a weary spokeswoman who had been deluged with calls. "We'll let you know when it does."

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Prudent or premature?

centralized and socialist economy embarked Lon the arduous road away from bureaucratic domination and toward market orientation.

Though largely successful, some of the decade's achievements have since been threatened, most notably the Bank of Israel's hardwon independence.

In the past, Israeli entrepreneurs lacked free access to foreign credit. But now, even though they are able to borrow abroad, local business circles still behave in this regard as they did during the socialist era, by lobbying tirelessly against the government's monetary policy, rather than coping with its repercussions by savvy maneuvering in the capital and labor mar-

And so, when the central bank responded to the recent years' rising inflation with an economically imperative tight-money policy, local business leaders unleashed a vicious and wellcoordinated attack against Bank of Israel Governor Jacob Frenkel.

All attempts to explain to them that their personal interest in a weak currency - which makes exporting more profitable in the short run - is only one detail in a much broader macro-economic picture, fell on deaf ears.

to ignore the previous government's derelict fis-

T has been just over a decade since Israel's cal expansion, apparently assessing that Frenkel would be a much weaker rival than the providers of an elaborate patronage system replete with multi-million-shekel sectorial regulations, tax-break deals and capital-investment aid programs.

But none of this could prove wrong Frenkel's basic premise, namely that demand in the local economy was rising too sharply, spurring inflation, and that the way to stem that trend would be to raise the price of credit.

Judging by yesterday's rate cut, the first since January, one wants to accept the governor's explanation that he was motivated by nothing other than recent indicators, which showed previously prevalent inflationary expectations had been reversed.

Unfortunately, one cannot dismiss the possibility that the governor finally gave in to mounting pressure from a colorful coalition of interested parties, ranging from Histadrut Chairman Amir Peretz to Koor CEO Benjamin Gaon, Manufacturers' Association President Dan Propper, and Foreign Minister David Levy.

In the face of steadying inflationary pressures, the rates could well have been left unchanged for a month or two, before being reduced. Hopefully, economic indicators in the coming Meanwhile, many business leaders preferred months will prove that the governor's move was

Let the healing begin

appointed six months ago to investigate the Ethiopian blood donation affair, are eminently reasonable. Instead of slapping an across-the-board ban on accepting blood donations from Ethiopian immigrants, the committee recommends that blood should not be taken from anyone who spent at least six months during the 10 years preceding the blood donation in any of 63 countries where AIDS is endemic, such as Ethiopia. The committee further recommends against accepting blood from anyone who returned to Israel during the previous 12 months from an HIV-endemic country, or from high-risk groups such as hemophiliacs, homosexuals, drug addicts and prostitutes.

The real purpose of the committee though, was not to set recommendations for blood donations, but to check charges of racism against Magen David Adom for furtively discarding the blood donated by Ethiopian immigrants. Committee chairman and former president Yitzhak Navon was forthright in his declaration that "no racism was involved" in the medical decision not to use Ethiopian blood. The use of donations from Ethiopians with rare blood types, after the donations were kept for the period needed to ascertain their safety, is proof that Navon's statement is correct.

That MDA and the health authorities are guilty of insufferable condescension in their handling of blood donations from the Ethiopian community is a different matter. Here it is clear that the attitude toward this community was unforgivably patronizing. Rather than simply explaining to the immigrants that because they

Sir, - On Channel 1's A New

Evening, we witnessed a heated at-

gument between the head of Ramat

Hasharon Local Council and the

representative of the Rottweiler

Breeders Association. The local

council wants to outlaw rottweilers.

The breeders regard this as dog "ex-

termination" and maintain that the

rottweilers are being discriminated

against. Their standpoint is that

many other breeds can be, and

Both sides are blaming the canine species for their own failure. Firstly,

the local council has failed to en-

force the law. Secondly, the breed-

ers do not abide by the law. The law

in Israel is that a dog many not be

allowed to roam around freely.

Should it be in a public place it must

be on a leash and wear a muzzle.

The latter might be abhorrent to

some, myself included, but, when it

comes to the more aggressive

Sir, ~ The attention given by your

news columns and oped pages to the

report accusing Dr. Rachmilevich of

neglecting the needs of a patient is

baffling. It is not clear from any of

your articles whether the blood

transfusion in question was an emer-

play and that resentments between

patient and doctor, between doctor

and doctor or between religious and

secular may be what has fueled this

As a visiting physician from the

US who recently attended a week-

long conference and visited several

What is clear is that politics are at

gency, life-saving therapy.

story out of proportion.

sometimes are, vicious.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LAW ENFORCEMENT

breeds, owners must take all neces-

sary steps to see that their dogs do

not harm others. The law also em-

powers the state, municipal or local

council veterinarian to impound and

destroy vagrant dogs, particularly if

they have not been vaccinated

the prevailing attitude here in Israel

today. It is this same contempt for

the law that is killing Israelis on the

roads. The Traffic Ordinance does

not seem to apply to most Israeli drivers, whether they be bus drivers,

truck or taxi drivers or plain

Obviously the current state of

"anarchy" cannot be allowed to

continue. Laws, be they traffic en-

forcement, animal control or the to-

tally ignored curb on smoking in

public places and the work place,

Karmiel. FRANK D. BERMAN

Israeli contributions to modern med-

ical literature are rich and vast. The

level of care that I have witnessed in

the operating room of a large hospi-

tal here in Jerusalem is comparable

Patients grumble about their care;

doctors grumble about their pay;

nurses grumble about their work:

administrators grumble about their

conditions. Guess what? They do

A recent study at Harvard Univer-

sity showed that over 90 percent of

medical malpractice in the US goes

by unnoticed, a figure that is proba-

bly similar to that here. I suggest

that you channel your efforts to-

have to be enforced.

to that found in the US.

that in the US too!

This irresponsibility is typical of

against rabies.

motorists.

MEDICINE IN ISRAEL

THE findings of the Navon Committee. come from a country where AIDS is endemic, sensible public health policy mandates against their donating blood, the authorities treated them like children. But since MDA blood services director Dr. Amnon Ben-David did not initiate this policy, the Navon Committee was right to refuse to make him the scapegoat and demand his dismissal.

Not surprisingly, given the depths of feelings the incident aroused in the Ethiopian immigrant community, pressure groups within that community are not satisfied with the committee's work and are demanding a state inquiry into all aspects of the absorption of Ethiopian Jewry. While a state inquiry is not necessarily the best tool for helping smooth Ethiopian integration into Israeli life, there are some problems that must be rectified at once, particularly in education.

The majority of Ethiopian children, through no fault of their own, are being failed by the school system. Due to the cultural gap between the children being tested and the psychologists handling the tests, more and more Ethiopian children are finding themselves undeservedly placed in classes for children with severe learning disabilities or in low-level vocational schools. Throwing money at a problem is not always the best solution, but privately-funded programs have proven that Ethiopian children have the potential to match their native-born counterparts, provided the educational system invests in helping them catch up.

The wounds opened by the throwing away of Ethiopian blood can best be healed if the children of this community are given, from the start, the opportunity to succeed that they deserve.

LEFT-WING

in his July 11 column that the terms

left and right are totally distorted in

Israeli politics, he was right on the mark. After all, in what other coun-

try do most of the captains of indus-

try and finance support the largest

"left-wing" party, while represen-tatives of the largest "right-wing"

party sometimes sound more social-

ist than the socialists on issues of

But then Mr. Bushinsky misses

the mark by a mile. He asks if it

makes sense to brand Prime Minis-

ter Netanyahu as a rightist even

though he "opposes the arbitrary

and artificial separation of Israelis

and Palestinians." No, it doesn't.

The problem is that Mr. Netanyahu

not only rejects "arbitrary and artifi-

cial separation" (which I assume

means a Palestinian state); he also

rejects full political rights for Pales-

tinians living under Israeli control.

As far as I can tell, Mr. Netanyahu

wants the Palestinians to continue

living under Israeli sovereignty

without any political voice in how

that sovereignty affects them. And I think Mr. Bushinsky will

agree with me that there's nothing

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

those who believe that the study of

Talmud can keep us safe from our

enemies' missiles have to throw

rocks at cars that drive on Shabbat.

Surely more intensive study would

accomplish their goal without caus-

Sir, - I fail to understand how

GENE ZITVER

left-wing about that.

economic justice?

Sir, - When Jay Bushinsky wrote



very costly naivete

LL the signs indicate that Saturday's bombing in Atlanta's Centennial Olympic Park could have been

prevented. The attack was only too conventional; there was nothing about it to set it apart from other terror attacks, nothing that could have prevented the necessary

precautions being taken.
So why didn't the Olympic organizers foil it?

They failed on a number of levels. They made their first mistake on the strategic level, by deciding to leave the park unguarded.

How amazingly naive to try and set "guidelines" for terrorists - to tell them, as it were, "Here you may attack; here (at a unofficial Olympic site) you may

The organizers simply decided that a park frequented by the general public wouldn't be a terrorist target. And that decision fated those same officials - who had refused to devote a few minutes of the opening Atlanta ceremonies to the terrorist murders of Israeli athletes at the 1972 Munich Olympics - to relive the trauma of terror.

Had the organizers recalled Munich, they might perhaps have remembered that terrorists have no guidelines or limitations, that from their point of view any site is a potential target. Had they remembered Munich they very likely wouldn't have left the park unguarded.

Their second error was a grievous omission on the tactical available for dealing with the explosive device immediately on discovery.

Of course one cannot station bomb disposal units in every possible place, and you cannot disperse a large crowd in an instant without causing another

But a cheap and efficient solu-

YIGAL CARMON

tion became available years ago for precisely such situations, and it's one every Israeli knows: the 'security pit" into which suspicious objects that cannot immediately be dealt with by a professional anti-bomb squad are deposited. (Jerusalemites are also familiar with the "security trash cans" all over the city's streets that can contain an explo-

The Olympic organizers thought they could set guidelines for terrorists

sion without anyone getting hurt.)

The Atlanta organizers decided in their wisdom that there would be no security checks at the entrance to the park. But why weren't there security pits inside the park located at the required intervals?

This seemed to be another "conception" that led to an act of omission. From the time the Olympic organizers decided, on the terrorists' behalf, that an attack in a public park wasn't a possibility, they exempted themselves from instituting the most minimum levels of security.

BUT OVER and above the level. There were no means strategic and tactical levels stands the question of a comprehensive policy in the battle against terror.

It would be quite correct to argue that even if all the Olympic sites, including the park, had been well secured, terrorists could still have launched an attack on any number of other targets in Atlanta – or outside it.

In contrast with "regular" wars where most nations agree to operate within certain rules, terrorism is characterized by the fact that its perpetrators permit themselves ab initio any means and any target.

Israel has experienced this sobering reality firsthand for many years. No part of our small country been spared a terror

Virtually every venue in which we conduct our daily lives has been laid hostage to terror - our nursery schools, our schools, our universities, our synagogues, our parks, hospitals, hotels, restaurants, beaches, commercial and tourist centers, our water, and electricity systems, our land, water and air transportation.

And if in our tiny country there are thousands - or tens of thou-sands - of potential targets, there are ultimately infinitely more in vast, free, open Western countries like the US.

Amid the reality of such a situation, falling back on a solely defensive-preventive stance is bound to fail. The war against terror

demands an integrative stance in which defense is combined with consistent and determined strikes against the sources of terror, whatever form these may take; whether they are militias, skinhead groups, Islamic fundamen-talists or their brethren of other

This requires intelligence, and intelligence, means investment. But before that the right policy and the courage to use the intel-

ligence must be there. Israel's experience has shown that attack remains the best-

defense. The issue isn't just a moral one. It is also a question of effi-

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ciency.

Mesmerized into dumbness

E Jews consider our-selves to be among the most intelligent people in the world.

But anyone measuring this claim against the level of advertising found on our TV's Channel 2 and the institutional and lottery advertising we get on Channel 1 (cynically disguised as "public messages") would surely snort with contempt and say we were among the dumbest.

We are certainly spineless, according to a recent study by the Shiluv research institute which examined public attitudes to Channel 2 advertising.

The study found that 36 percent of us are irritated by the advertising and another 15 percent bored, yet we do nothing about it. (These 'negative" figures would certainly increase if haredi Jews, who constitute over 10 percent of the population, watched TV.)

In contrast, 19 percent of those asked said they found the TV ads interesting. Another 19 percent even found them entertaining.

These ads and the channel that depends on them are no less than a modern plague that has made TV viewing for most of us much worse than it was before the advent of Channel 2. Spineless, indeed. A significant

majority of us are imitated and offended by the noisy onslaught of these intellectually insulting ads, yet we have learned to accept them like unseasonably hot weather, jellyfish off our beaches and other natural phenomena. But this particular plague is man-

a commercialized When Channel 2 was first being mooted as an essential and financially painless complement to Channel), we were promised that it would avoid the worst aspects of American commercial networks.

Well... having just been exposed

YOSEF GOELL

ing a spate of babysitting my grandchildren, I can only conclude that not only has that promise not been honored - our ads are considerably more offensive than the ones I have seen on American TV.

The problem is exacerbated by the fact that we Israelis aren't yet steeled to fight back the way many Americans are.

Americans know what to do when the TV ads come on. Israelis act as if. they're bound and gagged

A recent study in the US found that 69 percent of TV viewers claim they switch to a different channel - or switch off their sets when the ads come on.

Americans have become highly adept at zapping or answering the call of nature at advertising time. We, in contrast, have not yet developed such defenses.

PARTICULARLY offensive is the sheer amount of time given over to Channel 2 advertising, and especially the frequency with. which movies and other programs are interrupted for ads and for even more offensive station promos. That time seems to comprise a much greater chunk than the 10 minutes per hour maximum originally promised.

We were also promised that ads would only come at the beginning and end of programs and not cut

Also extremely annoying is the

repetition of the same ad during a single program. This is just as irritating when it's done with the few amusing and intelligently-done ads as when it's done with the

To which one should add the station's outrageous practice of increasing the sound level while the ads are on. Many of us do not have remote control zappers and the noise level often feels enough to drive one out of one's mind. There are bodies which, theoret-

ically at least, are supposed to serve the public interest by overseeing the broadcasting concessionaires and advertisers. Sadly, both the Broadcasting Authority's board and Channel 2's have been egregiously derelict in this duty. The problem is that both bodies are manned largely by political appointees who have been overwhelmed by the new zeitgeist of untrammelled free enterprise and

It's high time these public bodies were reminded that their primary responsibility is to the public and not to the profit-minded concessionaires, the professional broadcasters and the advertising agencies. But I wouldn't put too much stock in their sense of civic

commercial bucksterism.

I believe these bodies could be prodded to perform more conscientiously if a public-spirited body of TV consumers were to arise and plan an effective counterat-

This could take the form of fingering the most offensive ads and ad agencies and launching a (wellpublicized) boycott against a selected few.

I already have a list of products I pointedly no longer buy because of the hutzpa of their producers who insist on attacking my senses and sensibilities.

The writer comments on current

Pretty dreams

SUSAN HATTIS ROLEF

Binyamin Netanyahu was elected premier two months premier two months ago, he brought along a bag full of ideas for administrative and constitutional reform. These included appointing experts rather than politicians to several key positions in his government, the setting up of a National Security Council and a National Economic Council (two bodies which exist in the US adminis-tration) by the Prime Minister's Office, moving various departments and agencies from other ministries to the Prime Minister's Office, and passing the so-called "Norwegian Law forcing ministers who are MKs (except Netanyahu and his four deputies) to resign their Knesset

As things stand at the moment, none of these ideas is going to materialize.

True, we have three ministers who are not MKs, but two of them are representatives of Shas and one is Justice Minister Ya'acov Ne'eman. Ne'eman is a fine lawyer who isn't a registered member of any party, but he represents a well-defined socio-political approach.

This is exemplified on the one hand by the fact that he has introduced well-publicized Gemara lessons into his ministry, given by a professor who stated during a Knesset committee meeting last year - "on the basis of Halacha" - that there was no difference between gays and those who have sex with animals.

On the other hand, Ne'eman is known as a supporter of "Greater Israel." So, highly professional he may be; non-political he ain t.
The idea of setting up a National Security Council has been around since the Agranat Commission published its report back in 1974. But it never materialized because none of the experts in the field are really willing to work opposite the defense establishment, and sometimes in opposition to it.

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The defense establishment would view anyone willing to take on such a challenge as a traitor, and its new defense minister, Yitzhak Mordechai, is more sensitive on this issue than most. Nor is David Ivri, who served for over a decade as: Defense Ministry director-general and is Netanyahu's candidate to head the NSC an exception.

AS FOR the National Economic Council here too the chances of close to zero. By choosing Ya'acov Frenkel, governor of the Bank of Israel, as his candidate for the council's head Netanyahu demonstrated that he doesn't understand what the council is supposed to do or how it's supposed to do it.

Such a body cannot be headed by an opinionated, one-track minded (high interest rates) professional used to making unilateral decisions. The head of a NEC must, amongst other things, be a coordinator and facilitator. Political reality has put paid to

Netanyahu's grandiose plans to concentrate a large number of important agencies under his own roof. One of the bodies he coveted

was the Finance Ministry's Budgets Department. However, had he laid hands on it he would have had a government without Dan Meridor and Benny Begin, and no one of any stature would have been willing to take on the job of finance minister. Another body the premier

wanted was the Israel Lands Administration, and he had no difficulty snatching it away from Deputy Housing Construction Minister Meir Porush (United Torah Judaism). But he then had to hand it over to new Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon, whom he might have left out of his government altogether had he had the power he first pretended to have. Last but not least, the

Norwegian Law. First proposed by Micha Harish in 1976, it would enable Netanyahu to bring another four currently disgruntled Likudniks into the Knesset (and another five from other parties), and to fulfill a promise he made to several coalition part-

However, there is strong opposition to the law. One reason is that each additional Knesset mémber (plus staff) would cost the taxpayer over NIS 2.5m. for the Knesset's four-year term. Another is that even without the law the Knesset is desperately short of rooms, its new wing and three illegal caravans notwithstanding.
So it's a case of plus ca

change, plus c'est la même chose. Or. It takes more than pretty words to change the

The writer is a political scien-

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Godfather of grunge stays forever Young

BROKEN ARROW

Neil Young (Red Artzi)
OLLOWING a decade in the Eightes of trying on and discarding and discarding musical styles like dirty clothes, Neil Young has apparently grown comfortable with his mediacoined "godfather of grunge"

For the better part of the Nineties (except for a Harvestlike diversion on Harvest Moon and an acoustic career overview on Unplugged), Young has returned to his hard-rocking dark side, which first came to the fore on 1969's Everybody Knows This

Whether joining forces with longtime collaborator Crazy Horse on Ragged Glory and Sleep with Angels, Pearl Jam on Mirror Ball or Booker T and the MGs on a world tout, Young has reveled in his role as the elder statesman who refuses to grow old, and in the process has produced some of the most passionate music of his career.

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Broken Arrow (the title cryptically harks back to his days in Buffalo Springfield, and also to his California home studio) shows no signs of retreat from this path. Together with Crazy Horse, Young walks a thin line between song structures and untamed jams. However, unlike Ragged Glory and Mirror Ball, where the jams often overshadowed the songs, the good news here is the songs take prece-

This doesn't mean that there's not lots of rumbling, distorted guitar, but Young controls the rambling to a degree, reigning in the jams before they take over the

Standout tracks include "Big Time" and "Scattered," two philosophical ruminations

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works by Richard Strauss

DAVID BRINN

backed by scorching band efforts; "Changing Highways," a clunky, yet endearing countryrock number, and the penultimate tune, "Music Arcade," a moving solo acoustic number which is

among the best he's ever done. Unfortunately, the album closes with a lumbering eight-minute live version of Jimmy Reed's "Baby What Do You Want Me To Do," final proof that white boys have no business playing the blues.

Its inclusion suggests that Young perhaps didn't have a full album's worth of material ready. It's a small complaint, but one that precludes a wholehearted recommendation and inclusion of Broken Arrow to a list of his greatest records. A close miss though.

ODELAY

Beck (Hed Artzi) If Woody Guthrie had come of age in the rap era, he may have sounded something like Beck. Not that Guthrie was ever as

warped as Beck appears to be. Flying out of nowhere in 1994 with his debut Mellow Gold, the blond Californian rose to instant stardom with the giant hit "Loser" and its now immortal chorus "I'm a loser baby so why don't you kill me?" Using the kitchen-sink approach, Beck coopted every style conceivable. With his drum machine, acoustic guitar and a host of sampling, Beck sounded like a one-man rapping Salvation Army while making postmodern rock that celebrated the junk culture of the Nineties.

Satirical, trashy, and loads of fun, Odelay is a worthy followup.

any sharp edges even in the high-

est register, and heartwarming in

the lower ones, expressed a rare

degree of identification with the

music. Her performance was

Till Eulenspiegel, at the other

Dizzying in its diversity, the record shifts from the clanging industrial noise of "Devil's Haircut" to the almost angelic "Ramshackle" and "Jackass," to the laid-back country-rap of Sissykneck."

What's constant is Beck's stream-of-conciousness prose, which never fails to titillate. This is crazy music, exclaimed

seven-year-old, upon hearing

DRIVE ME CRAZY Tony Ray and the Amja (NMC)

Odelay. She's right.

The big conceptual problem on Tony Ray and the Amja's reggae release Drive Me Crazy lies in the inclusion of two classic Bob Marley tracks - "Is This Love" and "Waiting in Vain."

Ray does a credible job with them, despite the unsubtle quality of his gravely voice. However in comparison, the rest of the album

Hearing reggae in Hebrew is pretty weird to begin with, and Ray makes a gallant attempt to integrate the two cultures, but the results are a bit stilted.

The opening cover of the Israeli classic by Yonatan Geffen and Ariel Zilber "That's How You Wanted Me" works nicely. as do Ray originals "Yom Tov" and "Chocolate Arctic." Overall this is an enjoyable outing that displays both Ray's talents and

MISSION IMPOSSIBLE ~ SOUND TRACK Various Artists (Helicon)

The sound track to this summer movie smash is notable only if you want to hear how U2 sound playing the kitschy theme to Mission Impossible. Actually, it's U2's rhythm sec-

tion of Larry Mullen and Adam

Clayton, and the results are predictably high tech. The rest of the sound track is hit or miss, with Nineties back-

ground gloss interspersed with top-rate material from The Cranberries, Massive Attack and

Bono's version of the theme to Hawaii Five-0.

I'm now waiting patiently for

Neil Young has returned to his hard-rocking dark side with a wholly convincing passion.

on a trip through Vienna

CONCERT ROUNDUP

made one realize, 65 years after it was composed, just howmodemist and innovative it is, Schiff released ferocious energies in the fast movements, and delicately extreme, presented the young Singles at his many thiest and most playful fullering of surprising, original ideas and skill of orcheshighlighted and meditative, subtle inimpression in the slow one.

Jerusalem International, Con-

vention Center, July 21.

THERE could not have been a better way to end the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's current

season then with a vivacious presentation of Lehar's sweet operetta The Merry Widow. Zubin

The story of the operetta is one of love and jealousy with a very happy ending. Actor Tuvia Tsafir, who was acting as a sort of emcee, provided the essence of the plot in a most humorous, albeit at times exaggerated, manner. Thanks to Tsafir, the audience could understand the plot in and a first-rate performance of a between the arias, ensembles and

Edith Lienbacher and Sebastian Reinthaller were the sweet lovers Valencienne and Camille, she married to an old man, he taking

advantage of the situation. Both possess charming voices perfectly suited to the genre.

In the lead, Silvana Dussmann's lush voice was complemented by strong acting. Her one-time lover Danilo was

incredibly portrayed by British ... Israel. baritone Simon Keenlyside who easily stole the show. He is a great singing actor with a warm barione and a very clear sense of stage presence.

Mann Auditorium Tel Aviv, July

Michael Ajzenstadt

New Pagnol production proves as appealing as a stale baguette

missed no opportunity for instru-

Andras Schiff's playing of Bartok's Piano Concerto No. 2

mental effects.

MARIUS

By Marcel Pagnol, Hebrew, Eli Malka, Adaptation, Yehoshua Kenaz, Direction, Michael Gurevitch, Sets, Adrian Vaux, Custumes, Edna Sobol, Music, Eran Dimn. Lighting, Felice Ross, At the Rovina Hall, Rabimah National Theater, Hebrew title

. Yoav Havitt Ze'ev Revah ... Avraham Mor __ Avital Pasterna Rivka Gur

ITH Ze'ev Revah lead-ing, Nissim Aloni translating, and Federico Davia directing, last summer's Baker's Wife at Beersheba was a close-to-

NAOM! DOUDA!

authentic evocation of the famous Pagnol piece. This year Habimah has followed with a summer production of a second Pagnol play.

Despite some striking stage effects and a cast that stars the self-same Revah, the overall effect this time is less appealing. Set in Marseilles, the mix of bouillabaisse, seafront folklore, and L'amour a la cafe de La Marine has, as staged here, a stale, far-from-authentic flavor.

This, partly because the stormy sentiment that besets the lovers

and perplexes their protective parents, is hopelessly outdated. Love, marriage and sex, in that order, romance the way it was yesterday, just doesn't have much relevance today.

While the actors exerted themselves extravagantly to rev up the action and supply some dynamic to the flagging interest, their efforts were on the whole stymied by the stuffy theme plus a sluggish adaptation and a largely localized translation.

Not the inimitable Revah, not even such a riveting piece de resistance as a sailing ship with misted masts that actually sailed sheer ennui.

away, could save this show from

HLOMO Artzi ("I Want It Too"), Aviv Gefen ("Cry for You") and Yehuda Poliker ("You Don't Know What I'm Going Through") are nominated in all five pop-music categories in the upcoming ACUM Awards which will be relevised live September 10

on Channel 2. ACUM (Israeli Association of Composers and Publishers) will award NIS 250,000 in a 90-minute prime-time TV spectacular which will honor literature, pop and seri-

HELEN KAYE

Songs, books and comics vie for ACUM awards

ous music. A panel of judges will decide the recipient of four NIS 25,000 Life Achievement Awards for the composers of both light and serious music, a lyricist or librettist for light music, and an author.

Judges and the public will decide the winners of the 1996 awards for best song, best composer, best lyricist, album of the year and performer of the year. Other awards

will be for best video and, for the first time, for stand-up comedian of the year. Each will get NIS 15,000.

Other nominees include Arcadi Duchin, Ritz, and Orna Banai (stand-up), and the same amount of prize money will also go to the book of the year and the children's book of the year. Ten-minute teasers for the big

one featuring the songs and the performers will be broadcast on Channel 2 every Tuesday at 11:45

heavier, fiercer attack, sometimes with simian suggestions. It was notable that between these

a collage of crashing sound. Even in the heyday of her suc-

Her emotionally charged ballet, simply called Chamber Symphony (like the music by Shostakovitch), dealt with the sufferings of the Holocaust: yet she rightly did not

Modernity meets the baroque

ALA night at the Noga
Theater in Tel Aviv (July Theater in 161 25) offered two works by choreographer Luciano Cannito, danced with a heightened polish by the Bat-Dor company, which also did splendid justice to Ania Brud's premiere, on the same night.

Mehta led his orchestra with

suave elan, easily drawing the

warmth of the score from the IPO

strings. It was a masterful reading

piece never played before by the

orchestra. And to make it all real-

ly click there was a first-rate

ensemble of singers comprising

several Israelis in minor roles and

German and Austrian ones in the

The first work on the program, Cannito's Black on Black, was undoubtedly the brightest and best event on this splendid occasion. It could be described as a clever and witty business with long white skirts, worn by four women and four men. The clothes were subtly slipped off and traded among the women, sometimes in conventional dance moves but with sudden flashes of novelty. It was remarkable how well the new devices fitted to the baroque solemnity of

Bach's Mass in B Minor. Cannito's Five Seasons had a

two sophisticated creations. Ania Brud's Contretemps held its own, though occasionally her choreographic twists (especially in lifts) were rather overstrained, the sense of being overdone emphasized by

cesses as a prima ballerina of the Bolshoi Ballet, Nina Timofeyeva could not have had a more rousing ovation than she got at the Givat Ram Hebrew University campus in Jerusalem (July 23).

DANCE REVIEW DORA SOWDEN and the menace. attempt any realism. She herself The first half of the program was performed by the Classical Ballet

was a figure of tragedy in gesture and movement, with Forces of Evil" and "Forces of Light" - four figures in dark costuming, four in flowing white - created the mood

Workshop of the Rubin Academy High School.

A fiddler on the route: Sony Records annoints klezmer MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

N 1990, when Mirel Reznic got a phone call from Sony in LFrance inviting him to participate in a recording with the some of the greatest violinists in the world, he couldn't believe his

"I thought someone was pulling my leg," said the klezmer and jazz musician who will be appearing twice this week at the klezmer festival in Safed.

But the call and the contract that followed were for real and Reznic is now featured on the double disc Violon along with the likes of Isaac Stern, Pinchas Zukerman, Stephane Grappelli,

and Jean-Luc Ponty. The path to the Sony deal started in 1976 when the then-21year-old classical violinist immigrated to Israel from Romania. Within his first year here, Reznic met klezmer clarinetist extraordinaire Giora Feidman, and he found his true vocation. At the same time, Reznic vividly recalled his father's wish that his son never become a zigeuner, 2

Gypsy musician. Feidman arranged numerous concerts for his protege in Jewish communities all over the world. Then I realized that what I really liked was Thirties jazz and so I went to study in London for two years. During those years I studied as a Gypsy fiddler, and jazz with Stephane Grappelli, who taught me not only to improvise, but to improvise in an artistic manner."

Ever since, Reznic has clearly differentiated between Jewish music and jazz. Both are based on Gypsy melodies. "I created my very special style, in which classical music was not the goal but just the means. And the goal was to play soul music."

Reznic recalls that he grew up with the Gypsies of Transylvania. "At 12 I ran away from home. I heard (the Gypsies') music and somehow it entered into my system. Then when I returned from London I realized that all this music is still in me."

It was only in 1985 that he began performing regularly in

., His appearance at the klezmer festival will follow that of previous years - he has featured in this popular event every year since it began. Later in the month he leaves for an extensive tour of Brazil.

He almost always plays with his own quartet, in which piano, drums and bass augment his violin, and these days he performs a lot of music he writes himself.

Reznic recently released his fourth CD, Mirel Reznic Soul Violin, which comprises 12 numbers, half of which he himself wrote. And he continues to perform his klezmer music and his jazz programs in various locations in this country and throughout the world.

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Exciting dance in store at Tel Aviv center

HOW does one top Jiri Kylian, William Forsythe and Pina Bausch?

After the enormous success of the first two seasons of the dance series at the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center, details have been announced about the third season, which is to feature four exciting visiting dance compa-nies, albeit this time not including the local Batsheva Dance Company, which played in the fust two seasons.

The coming season, organized by the TAPAC in tandem with the private Multimedia impresario company, which is also responsible for the most successful Authentica early music series, opens in November with backto-back presentations by two of

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the most intriguing choreographers of our age.

First to perform is the Lyon Opera Ballet with Maguy Marin's modern version of the classic favorite Coppelia.

It is immediately followed by the new work of Canadian Eduard Lock and his La La La Human Steps titled Two. Later on, local dance buffs have another opportunity to enjoy extraordinary Japanese ensemble Sankai Juku.

The season ends with more traditional classical ballet with the Vienna Staatsoper Ballet performing works by Kenneth MacMillan and Renato Zanella. Subscriptions, ranging from NIS 158 to NIS 556 for two. three or four events, can be purchased at the TAPAC box office. Michael Ajzenstadt

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

Tuesday, July 30, 1996

Striking UMB workers unmoved by rumored customer defections

UNITED Mizrahi Bank workers will continue to strike for the third consecutive day, despite rumors that customers are beginning to solicit the services of other banks.

UMB's 89 branches have been closed since Sunday in reaction to the bank's decision to lay off 250 workers and the standstill in negotiations regarding organizational changes, personal contracts, and a wage agreement for 1995.

A UMB source said clients are already showing signs of leaving the bank.

"Customers can't transfer money out of their accounts, since branches are currently shut down, but I know of at least two customers that have opened new accounts at other banks. As soon as they can withdraw, they will transfer their funds out of Mizrahi," said the source, who is in contact with branch managers.

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In reaction, a UMB spokesman said management will not give in to the workers.

Meanwhile, the heads of the other major banks' unions are considering striking on Friday to express their support for their UMB colleagues, if no progress is achieved in negotiations by the end of the week.

At press time, union representatives were still discussing possible actions to take.

Zion Shema, head of the Histadrut's banking division, said he is trying to intervene in the dispute in an attempt to reach a compromise agreement.

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"We have to find ways to solve the problem, and if we wait a day or two before striking, it may be possible for Histadrut Chairman Amir Peretz to solve some of the workers' and management's problems. If

not, we may take several actions, including a strike throughout the sector," said Shema. UMB's 2,200 workers convened in Tel

UMB's 2,200 workers convened in Tel Aviv yesterday to participate in a union meeting headed by committee chairman Sara Leizerovitz, who was fired earlier this week. Leizerovitz said the workers will continue to strike until management rescinds its decisions.

"If the dispute worsens, and management does not understand the implications, we will take more drastic measures. We have plans and the government will hear us," she

Deputy Minister Yigal Bibi, of the National Religious Party, which supports the privatization process and the workers, attended the meeting, and said he will request the prime minister and Ministry of Finance to intervene in the dispute.

"Bank Mizrahi is among the first state assets to be privatized. What will happen in Bank Mizrahi will happen in the other banks and for this reason, this is not only a

Bank Mizrahi workers' affair, but a struggle for all the banks," he said. Bibi said it is not possible to privatize a

bank without political involvement.

Leizerovitz and three other union heads received dismissal letters last week, after they published an advertisement in Hatzofeh, which many of the bank's veteran customers read regularly. The advertisement called on customers to withdraw their

deposits from the bank "before it is too late."
At the meeting, some of the workers attacked the publication of the advertise-

ment.

Consultancy licensing law implementation delayed

Legislation to take effect in April

A LAW requiring investment consultants and portfolio managers to be licensed will not take effect until April 1, 1997, instead of August 10, 1996 as originally planned, the Knesset Finance Committee decided yesterday.

The amendment requires plenum approval, however, which means the government will have to convene a special Knesset session sometime in the next two weeks.

The amendment was submitted by the Treasury in April, after it became clear that the necessary regulations would not be ready in time. These regulations define items such as the content of the exams investment consultants must pass.

The Treasury asked that implementation of the law be postponed to January 1, 1997. However, committee chairman Avraham Ravitz (United Torah Judaism) pushed through a longer delay, saying there are many changes the committee wants to make in the

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Treasury's draft regulations.
For instance, he said, portfolio managers should not be required to have an equity of NIS 300,000; NIS 30,000 would be more reasonable, because the higher figure would keep too many people out of the profession, and might violate the Basic Law: Freedom of Occupation.

Similarly, he said, it is unnecessary to require portfolio managers to incorporate them-

Ravitz also favors exempting people 60 or older from the licensing exams, and said the exams covered too many subjects of only marginal relevance to the profession.

The committee decided that a subcommittee, chaired by Silvan Shalom (Likud), would be in charge of the regulations.

The committee also discussed another, proposed Treasury amendment exempting people

who give advice about bank savings plans (as opposed to stock market investments) from the law's requirements. This change was supported by the Securities Authority, the banks, and most of the MKs, who agreed that savings plans are generally simple instruments which do not require the safeguards imposed on stock market advice.

However, the Bank of Israel, supported by a minority of MKs, opposed the change, saying a savings plan is no different from any other investment as far as the need for objective advice is concerned. Since the commercial banks are allowed to give investment advice, safeguards which would prevent them from favoring their own plans are necessary, opponents of the changes said.

However, the committee postponed a decision on this issue, saying it was not urgent once implementation of the law had been deferred until next year.

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Shohat: Scrapping of option plan would be 'bizarre'

MK Avraham Shohat (Labor) yesterday described as "very bizarre" reports that Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu is considering scrapping the so-called "options program" for a massive offering to the public of shares in state assets.

The program, modeled on the one successfully implemented in the Czech Republic, and emulated in various other post-Communist countries with varying degrees of success, involves distributing to the public free options that could be used to purchase, at a discount, a package of shares in firms that stand to be privatized. This is facilitated by the widespread distribution of vouchers, which can be redeemed, allowing small-time investors to hold shares.

A report in yesterday's Ha' aretz suggested Netanyahu is thinking of ending the privatization scheme before it is ever tried.

Last night, officials in the Prime Minister's Office dismissed the

Shohat, who initially introduced the idea two years ago, said it has the backing of experts in the Treasury, Bank of Israel, and on the capital markets.

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The report suggested Netanyahu is concerned that the options programs would attract speculators, a notion dismissed by Shohat, who

are interested in speculating on the market.

Under the Shohat program, everyone listed in the voters' registry – about 3.8 million people – would be entitled to receive the options. The Bank of Israel was to send eligible cftizens notices informing them of their right to receive the options.

said the whole point of the

scheme is to attract people who

Prior to the recent elections, Shohat wanted to bring his proposal, to issue NIS 5 billion of options in 1997, to the Knesset. However, his Labor colleagues convinced him to delay its launch, lest its proposed timing be seen as a pre-election sweetener.

Share options featured in the handover document presented to Finance Minister Dan Meridor by Shohat. There, Shohat recommended the scheme be used for privatizing government companies, such as Bezeq and Israel Chemicals, together with banks Leumi, United Mizrahi, and Discount.

Tadiran Telecom, Telecom Argentina sign \$10m. deal

JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

TADIRAN Telecommunications has won a \$10 million tender to supply Telecom Argentina with wireless systems to connect residential and business subscribers to the public network, Tadiran announced yesterday.

As part of the agreement, several multigain wireless base stations will be installed and will provide wide area wireless local loop coverage in Rosario, Argentina's third

largest city.

The multigain wireless system is based on advanced spread spectrum, frequency hopping radio technology that was developed by Tadiran for military applications and modified and integrated into a modern telecommunications system for civilian use.

Recently Tadiran Telecommunications, a subsidiary of Tadiran Ltd. which was launched as an independent company two years ago and went public on Nasdaq in April, has announced a host of new contracts. Tadiran will supply \$5m. worth of equipment to the Polish government's phone company and install a \$2m. digitial communications network in Bulgaria.

tions network in Bulgaria.

Based in Petah Tikva, Tadiran Telecommunications designs, develops, and manufactures telecommunications equipment and systems worldwide. In Israel, the company supplies telecommunications equipment and systems and offers a line of products for public networks and for business and residential customers.



BUSINESS BRIEFS

If water prices are not raised, the Treasury's will not discuss reducing the budgetary cuts to be made in the Agriculture Ministry over the next 16 months, it announced yesterday. The Treasury is asking for NIS 150 million in cuts in the ministry's 1997 budget. As part of the Treasury's budget packages for 1996 and '97, it asked the Agriculture Ministry to impose an immediate 13 percent

increase in water prices.

However, because of the considerable opposition from farmers.

Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan and senior ministry officials refuse to do so.

David Harri

A group of Religious Affairs Ministry workers have appealed to Civil Service Commissioner Yitzhak Galnoor to intervene in the reappointment of Yehiel Lagami, deputy director-general for

personnel matters.

In a letter to Galnoor, they said Lagami was a failure in the post and alleged he breached confidences and acted illegally.

Lagami was suspended from his post earlier this year after he was linked to a series of irregularities. This year's State Comptroller's Report suggested that Lagami was making political appointments, including that of a 17-year-old member of Labor's

A spokesman for Siemens has denied the company is about to make large-scale investments in Israel. The Israel Manufacturers Association claimed yesterday that the giant German electronics

firm is "interested in widening its business links with Israel."

However, Siemens' CEO Dr. Heinrich von Pierer said there are
no plans for immediate investments. He said the company
registered its interest when it opened its office in Israel some 18

Siemens, the world's sixth largest company, spent \$130 million on direct purchases from Israel over the last five years.

David Harris

The number of tourists entering Israel monthly in March, April. and May was 19% lower than in January and February, according to seasonally adjusted figures published yesterday by the Central Bureau of Statistics.

Out of 194,400 people entering in May, 168,100 were tourists. Since January, 1,049,100 people visited, 960,300 of them tourists. Some 228,000 came in via land points of entry at Eilat and along the border with Jordan. However, this figure includes Israeli tourists returning from holidays abroad.

David Harris

Israel's two largest fruit packers, Peirot Golan and Pri Psagot, have agreed to jointly market their products. Currently the companies supply 25% of the country's apples and export various products. The deal covers fruits such as pears, nectarines, plums, and kiwi.

David Harris

Labor and Social Affairs Ministry inspectors yesterday caught 15 illegal workers from the territories at building sites in Beit Shemesh. Five Jordanian workers were also caught in the area. Their employers had been putting them up at the sites.

Dovrat Shrem, US partners announce \$75m. fund

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

THE Dovrat Shrem group, in partnership with US investment company Cowen and the Travelers Group, is establishing a \$75 million venture capital fund.

The fund, named Polaris 2, will invest in local technology companies engaged in communications, programming, sophisticated medical equipment, electronics, and biotechnology. Travelers will invest \$15m. in the fund and Cowen \$2m. This is the first time the American companies are

According to the prospectus, the fund managers have an option to increase the amount raised to \$100m., in accordance with demand. The fund plans to invest \$2m.-\$5m. in each company, but no more than 15% of any one company's capital.

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company's capital.

Travelers Group, with total assets of about \$140 billion, is a financial services holding company. The group is engaged, through

segments: investment services, consumer finance services, life insurance services, and property and casualty insurance services.

Cowen, which was founded in

1918, is a full service investment

its subsidiaries in four business

banking firm, providing services in research, corporate finance, trading and asset management. The group specializes in technology and health care industries.

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Shrem's Rami Kalish, Yigal Kochavi, and Hami Peres, who will serve as the fund manager. In the prospectus, the fund manager emphasizes the achievements of Polaris 1, which was established by the Dovrat Shrem group in 1992.

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ISRAEL Chemicals (ICL) plans to issue its subsidiary, Perio Products, on the US capital market in a few months, the company's board of directors decided this week. The ICL board of directors also decided to transfer ICL's share in Olin Corp. to Dead Sea Bromine.

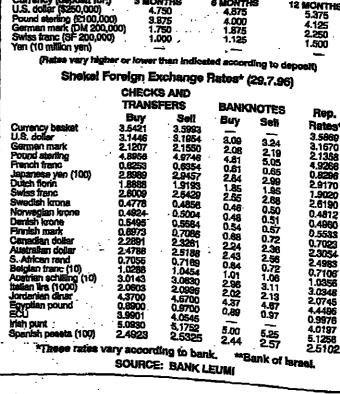
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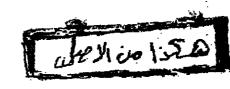
and Smith Barney as the lead underwriters for the initial public offering. An ICL spokesperson said 25 to 30 percent of Perio will be issued, including options to workers. The spokesperson refused to reveal the amount to be raised, but said the company is "worth millions of dollars." Perio develops products for treating tooth and gum disease. The Jerusalem-based company was founded in 1988 and is 85% owned by ICL and 15% by DEG, a German-based investment bank. Galit Lipkis Beck

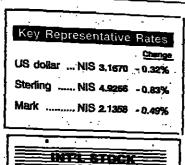
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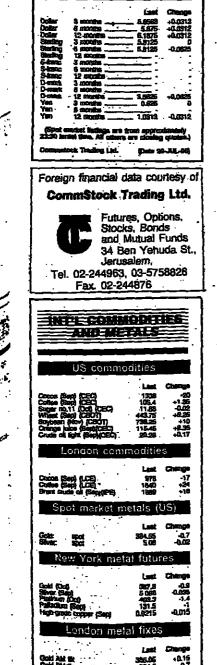






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Lower rates keep market up

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET

Two-Sided index



STOCKS jumped for a second day yesterday, after the central bank said it would cut interest

Africa Israel Investments led the gains; the property developer's shares leaped 10 percent, the daily limit. Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. helped fuel the

rally by tacking on 1.5%.
The Two-Sided Index climbed 3.64% to 179.14, while the Maof Index added 3.71% to 189.89.

Across the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, NIS 91.8 million shares traded, 22% above the month's average of NIS 75.2m. More than six issues rose for every one that

The rate cut "was appropriate," said David Rosenberg, head of research at Pacific Mediterranean Securities. "The main thing is that inflationary expectations have fallen considerably in the past month, which seems to be the key barometer the central bank is using."

Teva rose on NIS 8.1m. of shares traded. The drug maker's American depositary receipts, each representing 10 shares traded here, are up 1 at 33.

Rosenberg has some favorite stocks, among them Teva and Osem, which has risen 13.5%

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Maof Index

since Nestle raised its stake in the foods producer two weeks ago. Osem rose 3.25% yesterday.

investors also haven't recognized value in Elbit, Rosenberg said. Elbit's shares traded in New York are up 11/2 at 15%.

Clal Electronics "is sitting at such a huge discount to its underlying asset value that it has 10 come up." Rosenberg said. The shares of Clal Electronics, as well as its Clal Industries affiliate, added 3.5% while parent Clal Israel rose 3%.

One he would avoid is Bezeq. which is facing increasing competition in long-distance and cellular-phone services. Bezeq rose 3% yesterday.

Among issues traded in Tel Aviv yesterday:

Koor Industries jumped 2.5%; Koor subsidiary Tadiran added 2.75%; Elron soared 5.5%; American Israeli Paper Mills jumped 0.75%.

Bank Leumi jumped 6%, leading the other banks higher. First International climbed 4.75%. Bank Hapoalim rose 3.5%, and Discount Bank rose 4.25%.

Supersol moved up 3.25% Blue Square Investments finished 3.5% higher, and Elite jumped

Euro bourses end mixed after nervous trading

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON (Reuter) - European bourses, jittery after recent volatility, ended mixed yesterday and a poor opening on Wall Street did little to calm nerves.

The dollar ended its European trading session slightly down, which predicted double-digit with traders bracing for important US data in coming days for assessing interest rate moves.

London, Europe's biggest bourse, barely managed to stay on positive ground at the close after a day of thin trading with investors distracted by the upcoming US figures and the light they may throw on the health of the American economy.

"Friday's figures are going to be key in determining the interest rate trend in the US," said Richard Davidson, equity strategist at Morgan Stanley in London. "I don't think anyone is going to be doing a lot ahead of those

Even before New York's weak start - it was down nearly 0.3 percent at Europe's close - European trading had been lackluster with investors unimpressed by Wall Street's strong close on

Yesterday's restrained mood contrasted with recent weeks when markets across the Atlantic tended to mirror violent swings seen in New York, fueled largely by the ups and downs of high-

technology stocks. Frankfurt was Europe's best performer. Floor trading ended

up 0.3% and computerized trading on the IBIS index showed small gains in after-hours

transactions. German stocks, were lifted by Allianz, Europe's biggest insurer, profit growth this year and climbed 1% in early trade. But market volumes were thin and the mood dull.

"I expect the market to gently drift upwards this week and there's no reason for any major sell-off," said one trader.

Paris slipped in and out of positive territory for most of the day in trading that was thin because of the start of the holiday season and jitters over the US figures this week. It ended slightly down.

The dollar edged lower against the mark towards the end of the European day in which it barely moved because few traders were willing to take fresh positions in advance of the week's US economic indicators.

Traders were trying to guess how US interest rates will be affected by the data which start rolling today with July consumer confidence and reach a climax on Friday with the influential US. non-farm payrolls and unemployment data.

The decision by US monetary policy-makers not to raise interbeen thrown into question by recent figures showing strong

Dow falls in slowest trading of the year

WALL STREET REPORT

NEW YORK (Reuter) - Stocks closed lower in the slowest trading of the year yesterday as investors awaited this week's slew of economic data that could decide whether the Federal Reserve raises interest

Based on early and unofficial data, the Dow Jones industrial average ended down 38.47 points at 5,434.59, and the Nasdaq Composite Index fell 13.01 points to 1,066.43.

In the broader market, declining issues beat advances 2-1 on volume of 282 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange.

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Friedman wins bronze medal

Lewis jumps into finals; Syrian wins heptathlon

Post Sports Staff and agencies

WINDSURFER Gal Friedman became Israel's third Olympic medalist yesterday by capturing the bronze medal in the Mistral event in Savannah.

The 21-year-old edged out New Zealand's Aaron McIntosh in the ninth race to maintain his thirdplace overall finish which he had held since Sunday.

World champion Nikos Kaklamanakis of Greece won the gold and Argentinian Carlos Espinola took the silver. He joins 1992 silver medalist Yael Arad and bronze medalist

Oren Smadja in the national sports pantheon. Israel's member on the IOC Alex Gilady will present the

medal to Friedman. In the women's windsurfing event, Hong Kong cheered its first-ever gold medalist as Lee laishan took top honors. The win was characterized by pride and wistfulness as the British colony's sporting future is uncertain due to its return to mainland China next

In yesterday's major events, Olympic 100-meter champion Gail Devers breezed through the first round of the 100m hurdles yesterday, easily winning her heat to advance to last night's second

Devers' time of 12.73 seconds was the third-fastest of the qualifiers. Devers is trying to atone for her stumble at the 1992 Olympics, when she was headed for victory but crashed into the final hurdle and crawled across the line in fifth

Carl Lewis and Michael Johnson also were slated to go for golds last night.

Yelena Nikolayeva of Russia won the women's 10-kilometer walk, and Italy's Elisabetta Perrone took the silver. China's Gao Hongmiao edged compatriot Wang Yan for third in a photo finish, but was later disqualified and

the bronze went to Wang.
. Gao, the 1995 World Cup champion, was disqualified for failing to keep one foot in contact with the pavement at all times. A walkthree warnings. Gao's final warning came near the finish of the race. On Sunday night, Syrian



Bronze medalist Gal Friedman does a nation proud.

Ghada Shouaa triumphed in the heptathlon, winning Syria's first gold medal in the 100-year history of the Olympic Games.

The 24-year-old world champion came home second in her 800m heat, the last event, in two minutes 15.43 seconds to notch up a winning total of 6,780 points after the seven disciplines.

Natasha Sazanovich of Belarus won the silver medal with 6,563 points and Britain's Denise Lewis took the bronze with 6,489.

Syria had previously won just one medal in the Games when Joseph Atiyeh took a silver in the wrestling at the 1984 Olympics.

The two-time defending champion, American Jackie Joyner-Kersee, dropped out Saturday on the first day of the competition with a right thigh injury. She still may compete in the long jump,

Lewis, the long jump winner at the last three Summer Games, night's finals when he unleashed a final leap of 8.29m that catapulted him from 15th place to first among the qualifiers.

"I didn't want this to be my last experience in the Olympics, not qualifying for the long jump." Lewis said. "That obviously was a lot of motivation for me."

If he won last night, he would have brought the curtain down on his own terms with a fourth consecutive Olympic gold medal in the long jump finals.

That would make his final medal tally nine golds and a sil-

Before 85,000 people at Olympic Stadium, Michael Johnson moseyed into the final of the 400m, but American teammate Butch Reynolds pulled up in his semifinal heat with what appeared to be a right hamstring

After spending years trying to clear his name after a drug suswas on the brink of missing last pension, Reynolds had been considered Johnson's only real threat

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for the gold medal. Johnson ran easily while winning his semifinal heat in 44.59 seconds. He slowed in the final 50m, turning his head often to watch his opponents - as he did in the earlier two rounds this week-

Wang Junxia, the last remaining threat from the former "army" of Chinese women distance runners, won the 5,000m, which has replaced the 3,000 on the women's Olympic program. Wang, the world record holder at 3,000- and 10,000m, finished the 5.000 in 14 minutes, 59.88 seconds. Pauline Konga of Kenya was 3.61 seconds behind.

But men's high jump defending champion Javier Sotomayor of Cuba the world record holder. was bothered by a left ankle injury and finished 11th. American Charles Austin won with an Olympic record leap of

Balazs Kiss, a Hungarian who won his fourth straight US college title this spring, took gold in the hammer throw with a toss of 81.24m.

Fatuma Roba of Ethiopia won the women's marathon in 2 hours. 26 minutes, 5 seconds, kneeling to kiss the track after crossing the finish line. Then she took a victory lap, holding a giant Ethiopian

flag.
On the parquet Sunday, Scottie
Pippen beat Toni Kukoc and the Dream Team won, too, easing past Croatia 102-71 in a rematch of the 1992 Olympic gold medal game.

"I was out to do my best on him from a defensive standpoint," Pippen said. "He had a pretty good game today - after I left."

Just like he did at the 1992 Games, Pippen stuck to Kukoc and barely let him take an imcontested shot. By the time Pippen left midway through the second half, the US was ahead by nearly 30 and Kukoc had scored only seven Kukoc finished with 10 points -

7.5 below his Olympic average and shot 4-for-11 from the field. Pippen had three 3-pointers, three assists, two steals and nine

US with 16 points, and Charles Barkley had 14 points and 12

Shearer to Newcastle for record £15m

international Alan Shearer, the top scorer in the Premier League who also netted five in last month's European championship, is moving from Blackburn to Newcastle on a record £15-million transfer.

Although precise figures are difficult to obtain, the transfer fee is believed to be the largest ever paid in world soccer, surpassing an estimated £13m that Dutch club PSV Eindhoven paid for Brazilian Renaldo.

It's easily an English record, eclipsing the £8.5m that Liverpool paid last year for striker Stan Collingmore.

Shearer, who turns 26 next month, has led the league in scoring the last two seasons and last season scored 37 overall and 31 in

The announcement yesterday of

the five-year deal immediately made Newcastle the No. 3 favorite to win the Premier League behind two-time defending champion Manchester United and Liverpool.

"I think this shows the ambition of the club," Newcastle manager Kevin Keegan said in Bangkok, where the club plays today against the Thai national side. Manchester United and its manager Alex Ferguson were widely

Shearer, but the striker in the end decided to join his hometown Shearer joined club. Blackburn four years ago on a £3.6m transfer. He was expected to to join the club in Japan on a

reported to have bid £12m for

pre-season tour. Shearer's first major game for Newcastle will be the FA Charity Shield clash with Manchester United on August 11. Newcastle director Russell Jones said: "Perhaps people will now realize why we need a 75,000-seater stadium, referring to Newcastle's plans to move from their current St James' Park

home to a new venue. Blackburn owner Jack Walker admitted: "We were unwilling

"There was nothing more I or chairman Robert Coar could have done to persuade him to stay. He basically wanted to go to his home club to play for the team he supported from being a young-

Walker added: "I was absolutely devastated by the fact that Alan vanted to leave us.

The relationship was and still is very strong between us. I thought

Mushtaq, Waqar sweep Pakistan to victory

LONDON (Reuter) - Mushtaq Ahmed and Waqar Younis produced an irresistible combination of wrist-spin and swing bowling to sweep Pakistan to a 164-run victory over England in the first Test at Lord's yes-

England, which faced an improbable target of 408 to win, collapsed from 168 for one to 243 all out as its last nine wickets went for 75 in a dramatic session after lunch on the fifth and last day.

Leg-spinner Mushtaq captured five for 57 and Waqar's speed and lethal yorkers brought him final figures of four for 85 as Pakistan took a I-O lead in the three-Test series.

England, 74 for one overnight, was making a resolute effort to save the match under the influence of a second-wicket stand of 154 between captain Mike Atherton, with 64, and Alec Stewart, top scorer on 89. However, the whole shape of the game was transformed when

Mushtaq, having bowled beautifully but without reward from over the wicker, decided to switch to round the wicket immediately after lunch. The little wrist-spinner soon struck the first, and perhaps most significant, blow by dismissing Atherton, whose powers of unwavering concentration and determination had already held up the touring team for three and a half hours.

Asherton pushed forward at a leg break which he edged to substitute Asif Mujtaba at first slip. The England skipper, missed by wicketkeeper Rashid Latif on 19 late on Sunday, faced 211 balls and hit eight fours. Stewart's impressive innings ended soon after Atherton's departure when he left a delivery from Mushtaq but failed to get-his gloves fully

out of the way and gave Mujtaba his second catch at slip. Waqar dispatched Graeme Hick for four in similar fashion to the first innings, producing a superb yorker to which the Zimbabwe-born batsman had no answer as it crashed into his stumps.

Hick's second failure of the match continued his wretched Test form he has a meager 195 runs from his last 13 Test innings - and may have signaled his exit from the England team, for the time being at least. Mushtaq then bowled Mark Ealham round his legs for one, deceiving the batsman with a ball of fuller length, before Waqar accelerated

England's decline by firing out Jack Russell and Dominic Cork. Russell (1) pushed forward to a delivery moving away from him to be caught behind by Latif, and Cork (3) was comprehensively beaten by a swinging ball that removed his leg stump.

Graham Thorpe, having held on for 61 minutes while wickets tumbled at the other end, was given out leg before for three to a quicker delivery Mushtaq removed Alan Mullally (6) with the aid of a catch at silly

mid-off, his fifth wicket coming in 57 balls at a cost of only 11 runs.

Pakistan's attempts to polish off the innings were held up by last pa Ian Salisbury (40) and Simon Brown (10), who put on 35 before the former swung at a short ball from Wasim Akram and was caught behind. The second Test starts at Headingley on August 8.

he was happy here." England-Pakistan 1st Test Pakistan first innings 340 (Inzamam-ui-flag 148.

England first innings 285 (G.Thorpe 77. N.Knight 51; Rehman 4-50, Wager 4-69) akistan second innings 352-5 declared (Saeed Anwar 88, ljaz Akmed 76, inzamam-ul-Han 70) England second innings (overnight 74 for one)

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1827-186 6-186 9-208 Bowling: Wasim Akram 21.1-5-45-1, Waqar 25-3-85-4, Mushtag Ahmed 38-15-57-5. Rehman 11-2-33-0, Mailk 1-0-1-0, Kabir 1-0-9-0. Result: Pakistan won by 164 runs

Second Test: Leeds (Headingley), August 8-12 Third Test: London (The Oval), August 22-26

County Championship results

At Leicester: Leicestershire beat Sussex by 58 runs. Leicestershire 266 and 240. Sussex 294 and 154 (J.Hall 52; M.Brimson 5-12, P.Simmons 4-70). Leicestershire 22 points Sussex 6. At Derby: Derbyshire v Kent match

abandoned due to rain, drawn. Kent 445 and 245. Derbyshire 292 and 162-5. Derbyshire 8 points Kent 11. At Cardiff: Glamorgan beat Lancashire

by 48 runs. Glamorgan 505 and 259-3 declared Lancashire 478-5 declared and 238 (R.Croft 5-47, D.Coster 4-60). Glamorgan 22 points Lancashire 7. At Southamoton Surrey beat

Hampshire by five wickets: Hampshire 359 and 301-4 declared (V.Terry 87 not and 333-5 (A.Hollioake 104 not out, N.Shahid 101, M.Butcher 55). Surrey 23 points Hampshire 8.

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Lasorda set to quit LA helm

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Tom Lasorda, who underwent heart surgery last month, was reportedly ready to announce his retirement yesterday after nearly 20 years as the Los Angeles Dodgers' manager.

Lasorda, 68, decided not to resume his managerial duties following an angioplasty due to a mild heart attack he suffered. Lasorda, who was 41-35 this season, is in his 20th full season as the Dodgers' manager - the

senior manager in the majors. Lasorda, the 13th winningest manager in major league history, was hired to succeed Walter Alston as the Dodgers' manager at the end of the 1976 season. He ranks 12th on baseball's

career list for games managed, having surpassed Dick Williams in wins and games managed earlier this season.

Bill Russell is currently managing the team. Astros 3, Dodger 2

Orlando Miller homered to lead off the bottom of the ninth inning, giving the Astros a victory. Miller's 11th home run came on the second pitch by Joey Eischen (0-1), who had just entered to start

the inning. Danny Darwin (9-9), acquired from Pittsburgh on July 22, pitched two innings for his second victory with the Astros. He struck out two, allowed three hits and

SUNDAY'S NL RESULTS: New York 7, Cincinnati 1 St. Louis 6, Montreal 4 Houston 3, Los Angeles 2 Chicago 7, Colorado 5 Florida 8, San Diego 2 San Francisco 10, Atlanta 3 Pittsburgh 12. Philadelphia 8 SUNDAY'S AL RESULTS: Toronto I, Oakland 0 New York 3, Kansas City 2 Minnesota 9, Boston 8 Chicago 5, Texas 1 Cleveland 6, Baltimore 3 (13) Detroit 14, Seattle 6 Milwaukee 4, California 3 (13)

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had one intentional walk. Mets 7. Reds 1

Bobby Jones pitched a threehitter and Todd Hundley hit his 29th homer as New York snapped a six-game losing streak with a road win.

With owner Marge Schott back at Riverfront Stadium for the first time since being banned from her office, luxury box and field-level seatl, the Reds' six-game winning streak ended.

Marlins 8, Padres 2 Gary Sheffield set a Florida record with his 28th homer, and host Florida stopped John Flaherty's 27-game hitting streak.

Flaherty, whose streak was the longest in the majors this season, was 0-for-3 against Al Leiter (11-9) and Jay Powell with a fly out, walk, popup and groundout. Flaherty had the second-longest hitting streak by a catcher, trailing only Benito Santiago's 34-gamer

AMERICAN LEAGUE Yankees 3, Royals 2 Darryl Strawberry won the game with his 300th career home

run, a two-run drive in the bottom of the ninth inning. Strawberry's homer Sunday, his third since joining the Yankees July 7, came off Jason Jacome (0-3) following a leadoff walk to

Tino Martinez. John Wetteland (1-2) pitched a perfect ninth as the Yankees won their third straight over the

Twins 9, Red Sox 8 Rick Aguilera won consecutive starts for the first time in more than nine years, and host Minnesota took advantage of six unearned runs off Aaron Sele. Arquimedez Pozo pulled Boston

within a run in the ninth, hitting a grand slam off Eddie Guardado for his first career home run. It was the 13th career at-bat for Pozo, who won Saturday's game with a threerun triple in the ninth.

John Valentin then singled off Dan Naulty but Mo Vaughn grounded into a double play. Naulty got his fourth save when Kevin Mitchell flied out.

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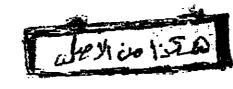
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MUSIC by Hummel, Haydn, Schubert and Brahms is on today's program in the Voice of Music Days at the Upper Galilee Festival. The concert, starting at 5 at Kfar Blum, features members of the Israel Vocal Arts Institute program presenting Peter Brook's La tragedie du Carmen. Also on the program is Hindemith's young children's opera, Wir bauen eine Stadt ("We are Building a City"), and Copland's Appalachian Spring at 9. Tomorrow at 5, there is a concert music by Schubert, with duo pianists Bracha Eden and Alexander Tamir performing the Fantasy for Piano Four Hands. Tomorrow 9 p.m. concert features no less than eight compositions by Richard Strauss, Brahms, de Falla, Stravinsky, Kohn, M. Balakirev, Binyamin Yosupov and Paul Ben-

VIOLINIST Shlomo Mintz gives a masterclass today (5) at Kibbutz Eilon in Western Galilee, as part of the Keshet Eilon masterclasses. At 8:30. you can enjoy a student concert; tomorrow's program features a masterclass with Andrea Cappelletti (5) and a live interview with Mintz (9).

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THE Jerusalem 3000 celebration of cantorial music at 8:30 tonight features the members of the worldwide Cantors' Assembly and Jewish choirs performing a mixed program ranging from American folk songs to popular Jewish liturgical selections. Among the performers are cantors Nathan Lam, Charles Osborne, David Lefkowitz, Martha Novick, Fredda Racusin Mendelson, Faith Steinsnyder Gurney and Alberto Mizrahi. The cantorial celebration concludes Thursday with short



Fredda Racusin Mendelson is among the performers at a celebration of cantorial music in Jerusalem.

performances around the capital, starting at 6 at the East Talpiot promenades overlooking the Old City. The cantors then board a bus and travel throughout the city, stopping a few times to per-form, until they reach the Western Wall at 8:30 for the main event.

FILM

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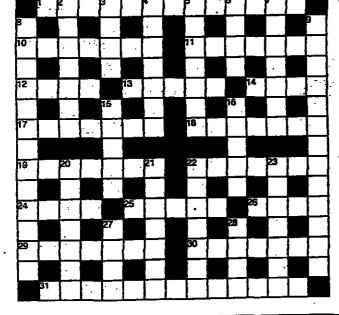
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10:00 Snowball Express (1972) — siap-stick comedy about a New York accoun-tant who inherits a rundown hotel in the Rockies and decides to convert it into a ski resort. Starring Dean Jones and Nancy Olson. (99 mins.) 12:00 Tush Tush 13:00 A Matter of Time 13:30 The Fresh Prince of Bel Air 14:00 Tick Tack 14:30 All Together Now 15:00 The 100 Lives of Black Lack Savage 16:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 17:30 News magazine with Rafi Reshef 17:30 First Love 18:00 Ruby 19:00 Linco 19:25 Estanana Solif — Rator Rafi Reshef 17:30 First Love 18:00 Ruby 19:00 Lingo 19:25 Banana Spit - Ratph Inbar's Dutch candid-camera series 20:00 News 20:30 Ramat Aviv Gimmel 21:15 The Cameri Quintet 22:45 The X-Fies 23:45 Songs 00:00 News 00:05 Night-time Rendezvous with Kobi Medan 00:40 Nurses 1:05 Jazz on the Red Sea 2:00 On the Edge of the Shelf

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16:00 Cartoons 16:30 Zohara and the Unknown Man 17:15 From Day to Day 18:00 Amores 19:00 News in Arabic 19:30 International magazine on the arts 20:00 Mabar News 20:45 Outstanding creations 21:00 Blah Blah – joint radio and TV chat show 22:15 Showcase 22:45 Chema magazine 00:00 Closedown

15:30 Vacation Time 18:00 Alpine Academy 18:30 On Second Thought 19:00 Family Album 19:30 Family relations 20:30 A New Evening (with Russian subtitles) 20:30 Welcome to France 21:00 Female Perspective 21:30 Cinema Europe – The other Hollywood 22:30 Star Trefc The Next Generation 23:15 Mother and Son

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senes of 28 tims about the Burnstead tamily, starring Penny Singleton and Arthur Lake. (72 mins.) 14:15 Seeing Stars 15:05 - O'Hara's Wife (1982) (rpt) 16:35 Cinema Paradiso (1989), Italian) (118 mins.) (pt) 18:40 Time to Triumph (1985)(rpl) 20:20 American Friends (1993) (91 mins.) (pt) 22:00 Excessive Force (1993) - Chicago cop who bantes Matia is accused of steading and exterior in truffice. Thomas ten

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Griffith, James Earl Jones and Charlotte
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he finds her body cut up exactly like a pic-ture he's just painted. (86 mins.) 2:30 Face Value (1991) (91 mins.) (rpt)

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22:00 Reflections in a Golden Eye (1967) -An army officer has a homosexual liaison

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FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

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8:00 Animated series about animals 8:30

19:31 Atlanta '96 20:00 Mahat News 20:50 Lotto draw live 20:55 Sitton – Repeat of the popular local drama series 22:10 Atlanta '96 23:30 News 00:05 Atlanta '96 till 1.00

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8:00 TV Shop 14:00 700 Ctub 14:30 LT Abner (1959) – Al Capp's classic comic strip characters come to life in Dogpatch USA. Starring Peter Palmer and Leslie Parnsi. (72 mins.) 16:05 Urban Peasants 16:30 Dennis the Menace 16:55 Mask 17:20 Happiness 17:45 Magnum 18:40 the A-Team 19:30 World News Tonight (Arabic) 20:00 CNN Headline News 20:30 Million Dollar Babies (Part 1) – after the initial rejoicing when their quintuplets are born, the parents are devastated when the government takes custody of the Infants. Starring Beau Bridges 22:55 Star Trek 23:05 Larry King Live 00:00 TV Shop

Hendersons (rpt) 19:00 Hugo (rpt) 19:30 Three's Company 20:00 Married with Children 20:25 Roseanne 20:50 The Ren and Stimpy Show 21:05 Big Brother Jake 21:30 Drop the Dead Donkey

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with a neighbor. Starring Marlon Brando and Elizabeth Taylor. 23:50 Asya's Happiness (1967, Russian) – Lyric portrat of an isolated rural village commune in the USSR. Asya, wife of a cripple, becomes pregnant and maintains her pride despite the mockery of her neighbors. (93 mins.)

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E SUPER CHANNEL

6:00 The Selina Scott Show 7:00 NBC News with Tom Brokaw 7:30 ITN World News 8:00 Today 11:00 European Money Wheel 16:00 Wait Street Morning Reports 17:00 US Money Wheel 18:30 FT Business Toright 19:00 ITN News 19:30 Adventures 20:30 ITN News 23:00 Galette Sports Magazine 23:30 Horse Racing 00:00 The Ionight Show with Jay Leno 1:00 Late Hight with Conan O'Brien 2:00 Later with Greg Kinnear

8:00 Aerobics 8:30 Nanny and the Professor 7:00 Mr. Belveders 7:30 Yan Can Cook 8:00 E! TV 8:30 Gabriels 9:30 Santa Barbara 10:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 11:00 Oprah Winlrey 12:00 Remington Steele 13:00 Yan Can Cook 13:30 Thailand Panorama 14:00 Teenage Mutani Ninja Turtles 14:30 Black Beauty 15:00 Los in Space 16:00 Home and Away 16:30 Charles in Charge 17:00 M*A*S*H 17:30 Flying Doctors 18:30 The Extraordinary 19:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 20:00 Santa Barbara 21:00 The Twilight Zone 21:30 Baywatch 22:30 Cncket 23:30 E! TV 00:00 Oprah Winfrey 1:00 Home and Away 1:00 Hooperman 1:30 Home and Away 2:00 The Sulfivans

CHANNEL 5

6:30 Bodies in Motion 7:30 Basic Training 16:00 Bodies in Motion 16:30 Dangerous Games 17:00 Game to Order: English soc-cer (pt) 18:00 Gillette's World 19:00 Dangerous Games 19:30 Hot Wheels 20:00 To be announced 21:00 Argentine League Soccer 22:00 Larger Than Life 23:00 Game to Order: NBA basketball 00:00 Snooker

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6:00 Olympic High Diving – live 7:00 Good Morning Altanta 7:30 Olympic Track and Field (pt) 8:00 Good Morning Attanta (pt) 8:30 Good Morning Attanta (pt) 8:30 Good Morning Attanta (pt) 9:00 Olympic Gymnastics (pt) 11:00 Olympic Track and Field (pt) 15:00 Team Spirat – summary of team sports 14:00 Olympic High Diving (pt) 15:00 Olympic Kayakıng / Canoeing – live 17:00 Olympic Synchronized Swimming – live 18:00 Olympic Kayaking / Canoeing – live 19:00 Olympic Rayaking / Canoeing – live 19:00 Olympic Basketball – live 20:30 Olympic Boxing 21:00 Olympic Boxing 22:00 Olympic Boxing 23:00 Olympic Weight Lifting – live 00:45 Olympic Gymnastics results, news 2:30 Olympic Mountain Bikes 3:00 Olympic Boxing – live 5:30 Olympic Boxing (pt)

E PRIME SPORTS

6:00 Golf: PGA Tournament 6:30 Motorcycle Racing: world championship

from Britain 7:00 Ternis: ATP Tournament 9:00 International Sports Magazine 10:00 Australian League tootball 11:00 Asian Sports Presentation 11:30 Professional Seach Soccer, Marselles 12:30 International Sports Magazine 13:30 Sports Magazine 14:30 Gillette Sport Magazine 14:30 Golf: PGA Tournament 15:30 Motorcycle Racing: British world championship 16:00 Car Racing: Formula 1 — world championship from Germany (rpt) 18:00 Indian Soccer 20:00 Car racing: tour cars 20:30 Eximp 22:30 Thailand Boxing 23:30 Gillette Sport Magazine 00:00 Tenns: ATP Tournament 2:00 Rugby from Japan

News on the hour 6:05 Panorama 7:00 News from the Olympic Games 10:15 Panorama (rpt) 11:30 The Contenders, Atlanta 96 (rpt) 12:30 Tomorow's World (rpt) 16:15 The Money Programme (rpt) 16:15 World Business Report 16:30 Asia-Pacific Newshour 17:30 Summer Holiday (rpt) 18:15 Panorama (rpt) 19:30 Building Sights (rpt) 20:00 World News 22:05 Panorama (rpt) 23:30 Lisa Clayton: Around the World Alone (rpt) 00:00 International Business News

■ CNN INTERNATIONAL

News throughout the day 7:30 Inside Politics 8:30 Moneysine (rpt) 9:30 World Sport 10:30 Showbez Today 11:30 CNN Newsroom 12:30 World Report 13:00 Business Day 14:00 Asian News 15:30 World Sport 15:00 Asian News 15:30 World Sport 16:00 Larry King Live 17:30 World Sport (rpt) 18:30 Earth Matters 21:00 World Business Today 21:30 CNN World News 22:00 Larry King (rpt) 23:00 European News 00:00 World Business Today 00:30 World Sport 1:00 World News Survey

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RADIO

WYOICE OF MUSIC

6:06 Morring Concert 9:05 Telemann:
Spring Cantala; Mozart: Symphony no 39;
Beethoven: String quartet op 18/6
(Mosaic); Duruflé: Requiem; Shostakovich:
Sonata for viola and piano op 147; Britten:
Lachrymae 12:00 Light Classical –
Rossini: William Tell overture; Schubert:
Rondo in A for viola and orch; Bizet:
Symphony no 1 13:00 Claudio Arrau, piano
– Beethoven: Piano concerto no 5
Emperor: Debussy: Images bock 1 14:06
Encore 15:00 Einahta – (1) Brigham Young
University Chamber Orch, Ankor Choir,
J.W. Hertief: Concerto no 3 in D for frumpet
and strings; Mozart: Piano concerto no 17;
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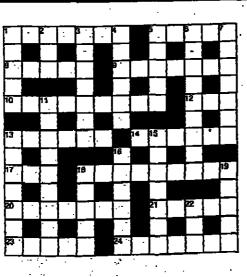
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Histadrut to declare labor dispute

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THE Histadrut is to declare a nationwide labor dispute on Thursday as a prelude to a general strike, in workplaces whose workers are, according to the lubor federation, under government threat of privatization, dismissal, and infringement of wage agreements.

Histadrut Chairman MK Amir Peretz claimed at a gathering of the large workers' unions yesterday that in addition to the economic measures proposed so far, the government intends to impose taxes on the pension funds and workers' study funds.

The unions resolved to fight the government's economic program and the plan to affect the pension and study funds, "whose taxation constitutes an unequivocal violation of the collective wage agreement, and all that implies," Peretz said.

Since the last strike two weeks ago, the Histadrut says it has received considerable information on the government's intentions to privatize corporations. including ports, airports, oil refineries, hospitals, and even

military units. Union leaders updated the Histadrut on plans to separate the Haifa and Ashdod oil refineries and the ports, as the first step

toward privatization. The IDF civilian workers' union spoke of warnings from the Treasury and defense authorities that units employing mostly civilians would be privatized.

Nurses' union head Ilana Cohen said Health Minister Tzahi Hanegbi informed her of his intention to privatize three state hospitals.

"This means creating one health service for the rich and another for the poor. The state hospitals now have large deficits because the National Health Insurance Law cannot cover the costs. Once some hospitals are privalized, the rich will get good medical services, while the poor will have to go to the state hospitals, which will not be able to provide adequate treatment," she

Peretz and the unions decided, after facing legal actions against the warning strike earlier this month, to plan their moves carefully and declare a nationwide labor dispute first.

On Thursday, the Histadrut's coordination and implementation committee is due to approve a long list of labor disputes, which will enable the unions to take action in response to any moves by the government.



Catie McArton (right), of Winnipeg, Canada, teaches campers in Gan Yavne how to play hockey. McArton is one of over 500 English-speaking counselors that the Education Ministry, Jewish Agency, and Israel Association of Community Centers brought here this summer to work at camps around the country. (Debbie Taylor-Zimelman)

Postal Authority destroyed

Likud flyers THE Postal Authority destroyed at least 100,000 Likud campaign flyers, though the action was not politically motivated, but simply the result of managerial errors, a committee reported to Communications Minister Limor Livnat yesterday. Livnat appointed the committee

last week following an article by Ma'ariv investigative reporter Ronel Fisher on the topic. Livnat presented the commit-

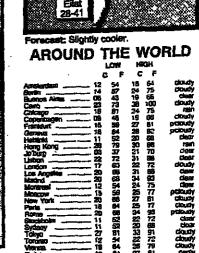
tee's conclusions to Postal Authority Chairman Amos Mar-Haim yesterday morning.

The committee's findings upheld Fisher's report that the usaddressed flyers, which the Postal Authority was to put into mailboxes before the elections, were never delivered.

Livnat noted that Postal Authority Director-General Ran Levin had been uncooperative during the investigation and that "it is unacceptable to me that an organization suspected of mismanagement organizes an independent investigation and uses a polygraph

to frighten its managers."

She expressed her faith in the postal workers, saying the incident will not harm the authority. Livnar also praised the committee for its



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Winning cards

IN yesterday's Mifal Hapayis daily Chance card draw, the lucky cards were the king of spades. jack of hearts, jack of diamonds. and jack of clubs.

Ethiopian immigrants slam Navon **Committee**

LIAT COLLINS

IN a stormy and emotional meeting of the Knesset's Immigration and Absorption Committee yesterday, representatives of the Ethiopian immigrant community told MKs of their disappointment with the results of the commission Yitzhak Navon into the Magen David Adom blood bank affair.

MK Adisu Massala (Labor) and other immigrants said they felt their blood was still being spilled and called again for the resigna-tion of MDA blood services director Amnon Ben-David.

The committee heard some of the recommendations of the Navon Committee but postponed a decision on adopting them until the members had time to study the report in depth. The only recommendation praised by both sides was the decision that blood donors would be told on an individual basis whether their blood could be used. Until now, there has been a blanket refusal to use blood donated by Ethiopian immigrants,

unless it was of a very rare type. Dr. Eilat Shenhar, a blood bank official, said some of the recommendations are impractical. The health ministry officials said the Navon Committee had not understood the degree of risk posed by

the high incidence of AIDS among the newcomers.

The immigrants said they were being singled out and had suffered as a result of the affair. The immigrant representatives spoke of kindergarten teachers refusing to treat scrapes and scratches and the fears that wounded soldiers would

not be treated. Committee chairwoman Naomi Blumenthal (Likud) called on the authorities to allow for greater involvement by the community in deciding on issues affecting it, to which a Health Ministry official said, "They have to learn first."

The official was later forced to apologize after Massala and others accused him of being patronizing to the Ethiopian immigrants.

Navon called for more information campaigns in Amharic. Health Minister Tzahi Hanegbi said he is still studying the report.

MK Poraz stands up for rottweiler dogs

MK Avraham Poraz (Meretz) has asked Interior Minister Eli Suissa not to endorse a bylaw of the Ramat Hasharon Municipality, which bans local residents from owning rottweiler dogs.

Poraz said the law is unenforceable because of the numbers of mixed breed or non-pedigree rottweilers that would not be covered by the bylaw. He also protested the singling out of a particular

There's no such thing as bad dogs; there are bad owners."

Traffic supervisor to High Court: Close Rehov Bar-Ilan during prayer hours

CLOSING Rehov Bar-Ilan during prayer times represents an appropriate compromise between the conflicting interests of the reli-Supervisor of Traffic Alex Langer told the High Court of Justice yes-

Langer's affidavit was submitted in response to three petitions against the partial closure, by MKs Ophir Pines (Labor) and Yossi Sarid (Meretz) and Labor activist Lior Horey. The court has already issued a show-cause order on the petitions.

Langer told the court that he decided to close Rehov Bar-Ilan during prayer times - 21/2 hours Friday night, four hours Saturday evening - for four months, during which time the closure's effects will be studied.

This decision is possible, he said, because traffic on Bar-Ilan is very light on Shabbat anyway. According to the Sturm Committee, set up by the Jerusalem Municipality to study the issue, Shabbat traffic on Barflan is only about 12 percent of what it is on weekdays.

Furthermore, he said, reasonable alternative routes exist to and from all places in the city. Bypassing the closed section of the road would require traveling only an extra 1.5 kilometers and add a mere two minutes to the travel time, he said.

Langer said that when he originally told the city of Jerusalem, in 1994, that a partial closure of was thinking purely in terms of traffic considerations, while ignoring all other considerations.

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However, he said, both Transportation Minister Yitzhak Levy and President Ezer Weizman made him aware that the injury his decision had caused to the religious sensibilities of the haredim - who constitute more than 90% of the area's inhábitants - was extremely

deep.
The ministry's legal adviser, he added, told him this was a factor he was allowed to take into

"I went and reconsidered my previous position ... (and I thought]: Is the decision not to close Rehov Bar-Ilan really the

sure, for a four-month trial period,

would represent the proper balance between the haredim's desire for total closure and the secular desire for no closure at all, he

Langer said this decision does not violate the right to freedom of movement any more than a oneway street does: Drivers can reach the places they want, but not by a particular route.

He recommended closing the street for longer on Friday and Saturday nights than did the Sturm Committee, he added, because he thought it would be better to have fixed times for the closure, rather than having the times change each week according to when Shabbat set the times to encompass the earliest and the latest Shabbats within the four-month trial peri-

Langer also rejected the petitioners' charge that the decision was made without consulting either secular representatives or Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert. Olmen's position was known, he said, as the mayor had already approved the Sturm Committee recommendations, and the positions of the secular activists were also known through their testimony to the Sturm Committee. None of the arguments raised in the petition, he said, were in any way

new to him. Meanwhile, a haredi association filed its own petition to the High Court yesterday, demanding that the road be closed for all of Shabbat, rather than only during prayer times.

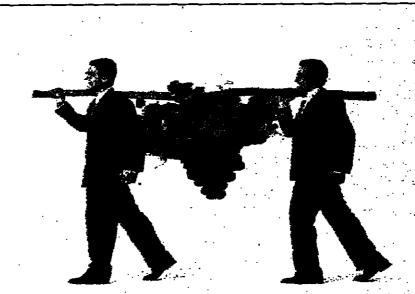
The petition, filed by the Association for the Preservation of the Rights of the Religious and Haredi Community in Israel, argued that since almost the entire population of Rehov Bar-Ilan is people use the road on Shabbat, leaving the road open causes great damage to the many in order to avoid minor inconvenience to the

Attorney Gershon Holtzer, who filed the petition, noted that there are precedents for closing other "major arteries" on Shabbat, such as Rehov Dizengoff in Tel



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